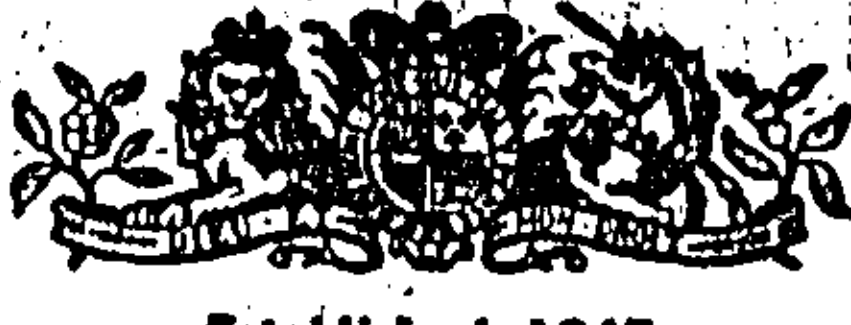


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Flight To Freedom Nears End

CHINA REFUGEES REACH NAPLES

Naples, Nov. 23. A round-the-world flight to freedom is nearing an end for the last 1,316 refugees to get out of China before Communism closed its ports.

They came here from Shanghai in a 55-day journey aboard the motorship Anna Salen, chartered by the International Refugee Organisation.

But those 55 days were only a short chapter in their flight, for most of them were returning to Europe after 10, 20 and 30 years.

And almost none of them plans to stay here. Some 750 transferred to the Jewish motorship Negevah to go to Israel. Many of them were sick and aged who had to be carried up the gangplank on stretchers, kept alive mostly by the hope of finally reaching a homeland of freedom.

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Nearly 500 others remained aboard the Anna Salen to go on to Bremerhaven, Germany, where most of them expect to apply for immigration to the United States under the Displaced Persons Act.

Some 60 remained in Naples to trans-ship for South America and British dominions where they have been promised homes.

Most of the refugees are Jews, who fled from Central Europe in the Hitler era, and Soviet Russia after the Communist Revolution, to seek homes in Harbin, Tientsin and Shanghai.

Most of them spent the war years behind Japanese barbed wire in internment camps. And soon after they were let out, Communism caused them to flee once more.

They are the last of 18,000 refugees from China.—Associated Press.

DEATH OF BRITISH INDUSTRIALIST

London, Nov. 23. Sir Frederick Bain, 61, Deputy Chairman of Imperial Chemical Industries, Ltd., died today in Westminster Hospital.

Sir Frederick, one of Britain's top ranking industrialists, was joint chairman of the Anglo-American Council on Productivity, an advisory group set up under the European Recovery Programme.—Associated Press.

COMMENT OF THE DAY

Door Open To Peace Talks

THE sudden spate of rumours that there will shortly be on-the-spot negotiations to settle the problem of Chinese intervention in North Korea seem to have little firm basis. The rumours appear to find their inspiration from the action of the Chinese in releasing 27 Allied prisoners of war, and the cryptic observation by a spokesman at General MacArthur's headquarters that "there is a reason" for the United Nations force halting their advance towards the Manchurian frontier. The release of prisoners of war is a nice gesture, but is not in itself sufficient to warrant the conviction that it signals the willingness of the Chinese Communists to withdraw all their forces from Korea. As for the reason why the United Nations advance had been stopped that is fully explained by today's unexpected announcement of a general assault by UN forces under the orders of General MacArthur. The so-called "full" represented military strategy and General MacArthur now believes that he can liquidate the military situation in North Korea in a matter of days. But independent of this new development, there have been certain signs that the Chinese Communists are beginning to lose interest in their "liberation" of Korea, and it is more than possible that the United Nations Security Council has received a message from the Chinese government that they are willing to negotiate for the settlement of the Korean problem.

Death Warning For Woman

Singapore, Nov. 23. Malaysian Communists sent Mrs. Adeline Heriogh a "last warning" death note tonight to quit her fight for custody of her 13-year-old daughter.

Supreme Court Justice T. A. Brown, informed of several threatening letters received at the Dutch Consulate, said these would not "in any way affect this court's decision."

A heavy guard was posted at the court and other guards were assigned to Mrs. Heriogh, the Dutch mother who claims her child was stolen by a Malay woman in Indonesia during the war and married off to a Moslem schoolmaster in Malaya this year.—Associated Press.

France Accused Of Armed Provocation

London, Nov. 23. Communist China tonight accused France of "armed provocation and constant bombing and strafing" along the border between China and Vietnam.

A lengthy statement by a spokesman for the Red Chinese Ministry was broadcast by Peking Radio.

The statement, not only accused French ground and air forces of "intruding" on the territory of China and killing civilians, but charged French planes had dropped supplies to anti-Communist forces hiding in the hills along the frontier.

It said the alleged incidents "reveal a premeditated attitude of enmity on the part of the French imperialists towards the Chinese people."

The statement said China "lodges a serious protest with the French government and reserves all rights to demand payment of the losses and to make other relevant demands."

It added Chinese frontier forces had been ordered to "strongly defend the borders and to deal heavy counterblows at the provokers."—Associated Press.

Seven Divisions Thrown

No Weather Relief For 24 Hours

Humidity 96% At 10 a.m., Today

Present weather conditions are likely to remain as they are for at least another 24 hours, said Mr. G. S. P. Heywood, Director of the Royal Observatory, this morning. He indicated that no change had occurred overnight.

Humidity reached 100 per cent. last night, and remained so for four hours after midnight. The maximum temperature recorded yesterday was 74.2 degrees, and the minimum 71.2 degrees. At 10 o'clock this morning, the temperature stood at 77 degrees with humidity at 96 per cent.

Rain is forecast for this afternoon, and is likely to be heavy at times.

The humid conditions are due to the influence of a small tropical depression in the Pacific area, southwest of Hongkong, and until this depression moves away, the present weather will continue.

The unseasonal weather at this time of the year has caused general discomfort, and summer clothing, which had been packed away, has had to make its reappearance.

The unsettled weather conditions have caused the charity boxing programme in aid of Earl Haig's Fund, which was to have been held at the Hongkong Cricket Club ground at 8.30 tonight, to be postponed until Wednesday next at the same time and place.

Much preparation had been made in the last few days for this exhibition. The ground had been marked out for the placing of chairs and stands, and arc lights had been erected over the arena.

U.S. DECORATION FOR RAF MAN

Tokyo, Nov. 23. The US Fifth Air Force announced today the award of the American Air Medal to Wing Commander James Johnston, last war RAF hero, for observation flights over Korea.—Associated Press.

To 'End The War'

COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF DIRECTS OPERATIONS

Tokyo, Nov. 24. Supreme Commander General MacArthur who is in Korea announced today a general assault on the enemy troops.

His order sent three American divisions, four South Korean divisions and smaller UN units into the deep defence line manned by Communist forces who for the past few days have shown reluctance to fight.—United Press.

General MacArthur flew to Korea at 5.45 a.m. today to be on hand for the beginning of the massive assault. His headquarters in Tokyo announced that he was "personally present on the Western sector of the Korean battle front."

A Decisive Effort

The text of the Headquarters communique said: "The UN massive envelopment in North Korea against new Red armies operating there is now approaching its decisive effort. Isolating a component of the pincer, our air forces of all types have for the past three weeks in a sustained attack of model co-ordination and effectiveness, successfully interdicted enemy lines of support from the north so that further reinforcement from there has been sharply curtailed and essential supplies markedly limited."

"The eastern sector of the pincer with noteworthy and effective naval support has steadily advanced in a brilliant tactical movement and has now reached a commanding and enveloping position, cutting in two the northern reaches of the enemy's geographical position."

"This morning the western sector of the pincer moves forward in a general assault in an effort to complete compression and close the vice. If successful this should for all practical purposes end the war, restore peace and unity to Korea, enable prompt withdrawal of United Nations military forces, complete assumption by the Korean people and nation of full sovereignty and international equality. It is that for which we fight. Signed General Douglas MacArthur, General of the Army and United States Army Commander-in-Chief."

Communists Withdrawing

The attack was expected to move rapidly in its early stages since patrols all along the 60-mile western front have been probing as deep as 10 miles before meeting enemy fire.

Air Force pilots taking part in continuous air assaults reported yesterday that the Communists appeared to be withdrawing northwestward. It was not known whether it is becoming a full retreat back across the Yalu River or just a withdrawal to a defence line closer to the river and the vital power dams which feed Manchurian industry.

The attack also leaves in doubt the fate of about 1,000 American prisoners being held by the Communists. Twenty-seven American prisoners were sent back through the lines by the Communists on Wednesday morning.

They had been told by their captors that the Chinese Communists did not want to fight the Americans and that they wished the UN air force to cease its attack.

The Communist defence line runs in an arch from Chongju on the UN left to Taechon, Onjong and Huichon. Gen. MacArthur obviously was confident that the United Nations forces can drive to the Yalu River against the enemy now before them. The big question was whether Communist China would fight a retreating action or attempt to reinforce and win a defensive battle.

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No Chance For US Of Europe

DEFEAT ADMITTED BY SUPPORTERS

Strasbourg, Nov. 23. Discouraged by the attitude of Britain and the Scandinavian countries, the supporters of an immediate United States of Europe today admitted defeat.

"I have few illusions about the chances of our motion," M. Paul Bastid (France) told the 15-nation European Assembly, referring to a proposal for a "political authority, with power over defence and foreign relations."

The Assembly of 125 Parliamentary representatives from Free Europe, had before it a scheme agreed in committee which merely called on the separate governments to make agreements among themselves on specific problems.

Of 12 amendments offered, the Federalist motion was the main test of opinion. The Scandinavian and British position had been made clear in committee sittings and in the Assembly itself. While saying that they could not join a European super-State, they urged the other European countries to go ahead and make a "little federation," if they could do so.

But the majority of the other representatives here are unwilling to proceed if Britain stood aside.

The French Socialist member, M. Guy Mollet, told the Assembly during the morning, "No federalist was an active one, how thinks that a majority can be gotten for partial federation on the Continent."

Mr. Herman Smitt-Ingemarsen (Norway, Conservative) said that the ardent federalists could not even agree among themselves.

"They are split up among a lot of organisations and as far as I am concerned, they have given up its sovereignty and have given up its sovereignty."

Senator John F. Ryan (Ireland) said that only today did he see any sign of the delegates "getting back on the rails."

Supporting the British "go slow" method, he contended that nowhere in the Statute was there a suggestion that the Council of Europe should ever become a legislative assembly.

M. Jean Le Dail (France, Socialist) said it was essential to have Britain in the European organization.

"Britain has a part to play on the Continent, whether her Government is Socialist or Conservative," he added.

Mr. Leon Maceas (Greece, Socialist) said that only Russia could gain by the continued deadlock.

The Assembly has now adjourned.—Reuter.

Can Knock Out Any Tank

Aberdeen Proving Ground, Maryland, Nov. 23. The US Army has developed a new weapon capable of knocking out any known foreign tank. It is a 103 millimetre recoilless rifle, which is fired from a jeep.

The Secretary of the Army, Mr. Frank Pace, said this new weapon will, when in full production, along with the 3.5 bazookas, provide the front line combat soldier with the ability to knock out the most potent enemy tank known today.

The new rifle is operated by two men.—Associated Press.

Prince Killed By KO Punch

Paris, November 23. Police discovered today that a Turkish prince, grandson of a Sultan and nephew of another, was killed by a knockout punch in an amateur boxing match here.

Investigating the death of Abdul Kallim Djinir, 25-year-old mechanic who died at hospital on Saturday without regaining consciousness from a knockout on Friday night, the police discovered that the young man was the grandson of Sultan Abdul Hamid II and nephew of Turkey's last ruler, Mohammed VI.

Kallim acted as a sparring partner at Bretonnel Boxing Gymnasium in his spare time from his job at Citroen automobile plant which he took a month ago after quarrelling with his family in Nice.

Floored by a right to the chin on Friday night, the six-foot, 200-pound Kallim never regained consciousness. He died of cerebral hemorrhage.—United Press.

Spent 3 Months In Soviet Gaol

Berlin, Nov. 23. A British seaman, 31-year-old Vivian Barnes, arrived here in a Russian Dakota plane from Moscow tonight after spending three months in a Russian gaol.

Barnes, who was sentenced for an alleged assault on a Russian dock worker in Archangel, will fly on tomorrow to Britain.—Reuter.

Knowland Here: Gives Views On Recognition

Senator William F. Knowland of California went on record today as being vigorously opposed to admission of the Peking government to the United Nations.

Arriving from Taipei by air today, together with Mr. Knowland, the Senator told reporters he was convinced the Peking regime was part and parcel of international Communism. Admission of Mao Tse-tung's government to UN would bear the same result as admission of other satellite powers previously, he said. It would mean surrender by instalment of the land, freedom and liberty of people who resist Communism.

Senator and Mrs. Knowland travelled in a plane belonging to the US Naval Air Corps at Taipei. With them was Admiral Charles M. Cooke, USN (retired), who is serving as a liaison officer for the United Nations Service, they are going on to Manila tomorrow.

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Major John B. Stapp, U.S. Air Force medical officer, tested new safety harness for airmen, by seating himself in a rocket driven sled at Edwards air force base, Muroc, California, (left). After three rockets shot sled up to 147 miles per hour speed in five seconds within 500 feet, Stapp, (below) is unbuckled at end of ride. Patches on knee, arm and face make it possible for camera to make movies of ride. Bandaged wrist was broken twice when Stapp went through a slowdown of 38.1 times gravity in his many tests of the sled. (AP Photos).

SCENES OF UPROAR IN COMMONS

Mr Churchill Demands Suspension Of Arms For Egypt In Sharp Conflict With Mr Herbert Morrison

London, Nov. 23. Mr Winston Churchill, the Opposition leader, ended a scene of uproar in the House of Commons today by warning the Government that he would hold a censure motion over its head unless Parliament had a debate before tanks were sent to Egypt.

Mass Murderer Held Sane

Woodbury, N.J., Nov. 23. Mass slayer, Ernest Ingenito, was "perfectly sane" when he killed five of his wife's relatives and wounded her and three others in an attempt to "wipe out" her entire family, a psychiatric report showed today.

Canada Puts Pressure To Delay Action

Washington, Nov. 23. Authoritative sources said today that Canada brought strong pressure on the United States to delay any United Nations discussion of the future of Formosa.

They said that strenuous Canadian representations in New York were largely responsible for the American decision to postpone this item to be placed at the end of the agenda of the present Assembly of the United Nations.

The Canadian objections to discussion of the subject were advanced in Washington by the Ambassador, Mr. Hume, and at Lake Success by Lester Pearson, the Canadian Foreign Minister, who heads the country's delegation to the United Nations.

The Canadian argument was that any U.N. decision concerning the fate of Formosa would involve a U.N. military commitment which nobody was able to undertake at the moment.

—UNITED PRESS.

Canadians argued that if the U.N. should decide the case should go to Red the world organisation would then be faced with the very problem of how to get out of the strongly entrenched nationalist forces of Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek.

They added that if should the U.N. rule that Generalissimo had the right to the island it would place itself in a position of having to guarantee a stronghold against Communist attack.

The argument advanced by Canadians was said to have influenced the Americans to decide that consideration of Formosa question by the assembly might be "premature."

The British concurred in the Canadian view that discussion of the future of the island at this time would raise more problems than it would solve. His British position was communicated to Mr John Foster Dulles, American delegate to the United Nations by Kenneth Hunter, Britain's delegate.

Fixed Weather For Thanksgiving

Chicago, Nov. 23. Mid-Westerners shivered and Southern Californians sweltered today as they celebrated Thanksgiving Day. Most of the day had just the ordinary weather.

But cold and snow kept many Westerners at home and the winds and blowing snow led to the discomfort of others. —United Press.

Release Of Atomic Facts

London, Nov. 23. The Governments of Britain, Canada and the United States have agreed to release new information on the design, construction and operation of low-power atomic piles. It was officially announced here tonight.

The three Governments, the announcement said, were satisfied that the information would be of no material assistance to other nations in the development of military applications of atomic energy.

Low-power research reactors cannot be used for producing

The Conservative Opposition last night put down a censure motion regretting that the Government was unwilling to suspend the export of arms, including Centurion tanks, to Egypt while the 1936 Anglo-Egyptian Treaty was being challenged by the Egyptian Government.

Mr Churchill told the House today that he was prepared to withdraw his motion if the Government would endorse a statement made by Mr Ernest Davies, the Under-Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, last night.

This was that no more tanks would go to Egypt until the Foreign Secretary, Mr Ernest Bevin, had concluded his talks next week with the Egyptian Foreign Minister.

Mr Churchill said that Mr Davies' statement implied that there would be a debate before tanks were sent. But Mr Herbert Morrison, the Deputy Prime Minister, disputed this saying that Mr Davies would not promise a debate.

Mr Morrison said that he did not rule out a debate but they must wait and see if it was necessary after Mr Bevin had reported to Parliament.

This did not satisfy Mr Churchill, who declared that his censure motion would stand and the Opposition would press for a debate next week.

UPROAR STARTS

The uproar started when Mr Churchill asked the Government to explain why it had changed its mind suddenly about sending the tanks.

Mr Morrison was inaudible at times amid interruptions from Mr Churchill as he tried to answer.

The House of Commons will, in any case, have a two-day debate on foreign affairs next week, it was announced today. This is scheduled for next Wednesday and Thursday.

The debate will bring into the open the pressure by a considerable section of the Government's followers for now Big-Four talks on the international deadlock.

Motions recently put forward by 70 Labour Members of Parliament on this subject will not be before the House. But the signatories to these motions—a predominantly left-wing group of 30 and a trade union group of 40—aim to press their case in the discussion.

The Foreign Secretary, Mr Ernest Bevin, will answer them. The 70 Members, through prominent spokesmen, deny that their pressure for new four-power talks is in any sense a revolt against Mr Bevin.

There were shouts of "Order" and "Sit Down" as the duel between Mr Churchill and Mr Morrison developed.

POLICY ON DEFENCE

At one point, when he was interrupted from the Government benches, Mr Churchill declared: "Do those who are laughing opposite realise that these are matters which affect the lives and safety of our troops and affect a wide matter of policy on defence?"

Eventually Mr Morrison said he associated himself with Mr Davies' statement that no more tanks would be sent to Egypt before Mr Bevin had ended his talks with the Egyptian Foreign Minister.

Mr Churchill, appearing to be still dissatisfied, said that the Opposition censure motion would not be withdrawn. The Conservatives would try to arrange a day next week to debate it.

The Motion regrets that the Government is "unwilling to suspend the export of arms, including Centurion tanks, to Egypt, whether as a result of previous contracts or otherwise, while the Anglo-Egyptian Treaty of 1936 is being challenged."

Mr Tom Driberg, National Executive member, expressed a similar view, ridiculing the idea of a revolt or a split and declaring that the pressure was to strengthen the Government's hand.

Some signatories admitted that the motions reflected anxiety, which they thought was shared by many people in the country. But none would regard them as "rebellion."

A number of the signatories are worried because they think that on the question of new approaches to Russia Labour may drag behind the Conservatives.

Apart from Mr Churchill's repeated suggestions on the subject, Viscount Salisbury, the Conservative leader in the House, recently created a serious impression on Parliamentary circles by declaring that although Russia's present proposals for a European pact were "not to be taken seriously," they were "not to be taken lightly."

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Seventh Regiment Marines march three Chinese Communist prisoners into their command post near Sudong during their battle the week ending November 4. Against Reds who had cut them off while they were spear-heading a drive against the Changjin reservoir. One of the prisoners carries a wounded comrade. (AP Photo).

Rail Disaster Sequel

Kansas Sunflower In Right Lung

Kansas City, Nov. 23. Two-year-old Patricia Frederake, who was growing a stout Kansas sunflower in her right lung, felt much better without it today.

In an hour-long operation, surgeons removed a sunflower seed with several healthy sprouts, one of them half-an-inch long.

Doctors discovered the sprouting seed in examining Patricia because of recurring pneumonia symptoms. The vegetation was removed with needle-like forceps inserted through a bronchoscope tube. —United Press.

Resignation Of Two Trustees Demanded

New York, Nov. 23. The resignation of two trustees of the Long Island Railroad was demanded today by public officials after the collision of two trains which killed 77 persons and injured an estimated 300.

Mr J. Russell Sprague, Nassau County executive, said action would be taken immediately in the United States District Court asking for removal of the trustees and their replacement with men of "nationally recognised experience in railroad management and operation."

The present trustees of the railroad are David Sacker and Hunter Delatour. The collision was the third Long Island Railroad wreck in nine months.

Thirty-two were killed and 100 injured in the first and 49 were injured in the second.

Mr Sprague's statement came on the heels of a demand by aroused city officials for a "vigorous" investigation of last night's tragedy and as weeping relatives paraded through the Queen's County morgue to identify the dead.

Stretched out in the morgue were 76 victims, many of them still clutching newspapers and magazines and many with their arms outstretched as if to ward off an expected blow. The bodies of four men who had been playing bridge lay with cards still clutched in their hands.

The 77th victim was Mrs Henrietta Schwitter of Ocean-side, New York, who died in Flushing Hospital tonight of injuries suffered in the wreck.

A "vigorous" investigation which was ordered today shocked city officials. The acting Mayor, Mr Joseph Sharkey, called the wreck a "crime" and the investigation was begun by the District Attorney, Mr Charles Sullivan, even before the last of the bodies was taken from the shattered train this morning, nine hours after the accident.

Mr Sharkey prepared a request to the State Public Service Commission to order the slowing down of Long Island trains within city limits. —United Press.

Coalition Sought By Finn Premier

Helsinki, Nov. 23. Finland's Prime Minister, Dr Urho Kekkonen, announced today that he would try to form a broad coalition Government because the "internal and external" political situation is very serious.

The statement quoted by Helsinki Radio said: "The opinion has been expressed in certain Parliamentary circles that the stabilisation programme presented by the Finnish Government cannot be carried out unless the Government's Parliamentary basis is widened.

"In the interest of the country and in consideration of the fact that the external situation is very serious, I consider it advisable to affect a change in the composition of the Government, and to form a wide coalition with all the parties represented in proportion to their numerical strength in Parliament." —Reuter.

Nehru Worried By Events

New Delhi, Nov. 23. Jawaharlal Nehru told Parliament today he was not sure whether he would be able to attend the Commonwealth Prime Ministers' conference in London next January.

Mr Nehru said he had accepted the invitation of Mr Attlee, but "it is very difficult to say, in view of all the different things happening in the world, whether it would be possible for me to leave to-day." —United Press.

Official Silence On Peace Bid

Tokyo, Nov. 23. The inactivity of the Chinese Communists in North Korea and their release of nearly 100 American and South Korean prisoners sent rumours sweeping through Tokyo today that the Peking Government was willing to open peace negotiations.

Some of the reports, all unchanged by official statements, said that peace talks had actually begun.

An American intelligence spokesman, who remained on-silently silent on the rumours of peace steps, described the release of the prisoners yesterday as a "shrewd propaganda move."

One report believed to be more reliable than others filtering through the official blackout, said that the Americans had begun minor and purely local negotiations in one sector on the North-West Korean front. But this was quite unconfirmed.

The prisoners, 27 Americans and about 70 South Koreans, were freed from a camp on the Yalu River border between Korea and Manchuria. They were driven 60 miles to within a few miles of the American lines carrying a verbal message that "the Chinese do not want to fight the Americans." —Reuter.

Rumours Of Cabinet Split Persist

London, Nov. 23. Conservative Members of Parliament are to probe the Health Minister, Mr Aneurin Bevan's luncheon with American correspondents last week—which led to his denial of reports that he is opposed to the Government's rearmament policy.

The Prime Minister, Mr Clement Attlee, is likely to be questioned by the Opposition on various aspects of the "Bevan incident," which is regarded as a serious political quarrel in Washington.

The effect of American dispatches from the correspondents who lunched with Mr Bevan, was that the Labour Cabinet was split over rearmament and that Bevan's arms would be ended.

The British Government officially denied that there was any split in the Cabinet.

U.S. Marines Turn Tables



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B.B.C. TREBLES PAY FOR A DUMMY

It's Archie Andrews, and he now gets £250 a week

Only Wilfred Pickles makes more on radio

By SIDNEY RODIN

THREE million children have forced Sir William Haley, Director-General of the BBC, to give a ventriloquist and his dummy one of the most sensational pay rises in British broadcasting. They will be paid £250 a week—three times what they are getting now.

The ventriloquist is 33-year-old Peter Brough. His dummy is Archie Andrews, star of "Educating Archie," a lovable imp who has become the favourite of half the children in Britain between five and 12.

Only one BBC celebrity—Wilfred Pickles—now tops Peter Brough's money. Pickles gets £300 a week.

Other stars are well behind in radio fees. Ted Ray gets about £150, Jimmy Edwards, Dick Bentley, and Joy Nichols from £120 to £150, Frankie Howard £120.

The pay rise came because recently Brough was offered a £250-a-week contract for two years to appear in commercial radio.

Sir William Haley told his variety chief: "We can't let Archie Andrews go. He is needed for the children. Accept whatever terms Brough proposes."

Peter Brough told me: "Archie has become a national figure since June entirely through the BBC. I feel under a moral obligation not to desert them."

HIS EARNINGS

Commercial radio has already captured the "Much-Binding-in-the-Marsh" team for £50,000, Donald Peers for £15,000 a year, Stewart MacPherson, and Charlie Kunz.

Gracie Fields and Sir Thomas Beecham also have contracts with sponsored radio.

Peter Brough will next year be one of the richest men in

entertainment, although he stays faithful to Broadcasting House. He is the second most successful ventriloquist in the world.

He estimates his earnings for 1951 at nearly £50,000—£30,000 from stage and radio, £27,500 from royalties on sales of Archie Andrews dolls, records, tooth-brushes and soap, and £12,000 from the textile business he runs when not making Archie talk.

PLAYED PRANKS

London-born Brough comes from a family of ventriloquists. He learned to speak without moving his lips when he was seven.

At school he played pranks on masters by throwing his voice. His first concert was given for the Salvation Army at Ealing when he was ten.

He used to get up at six a.m. to practise ventriloquism before going to school.

When 22 he became a textile agent, and prospered.

Invalided out of the Army in 1942, Brough thought up the voice and character of Archie while convalescing. Archie was to be a 14-year-old orphan brought up by Brough.

ARCHIE WAS SHOT

His first BBC payment was 15 guineas a turn. In 1947, after a trial recording, Brough was told: "A dummy can never be strong enough to head a full-scale show."

The experts were proved wrong.

Letters to Archie from children now number 400 a week. When Archie was shot in a broadcast a mother protested that it must never happen again because "my little boy had to cry himself to sleep."

Because so many children missed Sunday school to hear Archie's show, the B.B.C. cut him on earlier.

Last month the dummy got the National Radio Award for

the best variety series. Fourteen million people hear him on Tuesdays, and nearly 8,000,000 on Sundays.

His master increased Archie's insurance from £1,000 to £10,000. Archie has his own room in Brough's six-bedroom house at Moor Park, Herts, where the ventriloquist's two children regard the model as one of the family.

His wardrobe is made by a Saville Row tailor at from 15 to 25 guineas a suit.

The other afternoon he opened a bazaar.

THE EDUCATION

of Archie Andrews went a stage further when he was brought to a Fleet Street newspaper office by Ventriloquist Peter Brough.

For the visit, and the picture, Archie— "swell dresser, on and off"—wore a smashing blazer with matching scarf.

LOBSTERS TRAVEL BY AIR

Live crayfish and lobsters, flown to the Continent by a Warsash, Hants, fishery firm, are earning money for Britain. They are sent to all but Iron Curtain countries.

During the season the firm, who have restarted a 50-year-old shell fish industry in the village, send more than 8,000 crayfish weekly by airplane and ship to Europe.

The fish, brought from Southern Ireland and Cornwall, are stored in what is claimed to be the only lobster pond in England. It is 50 yds. square. Green blinds shade the light from the fish.

Packed in ice, the crayfish can live for 48 hours out of water. They are taken by van to their air-port or Northolt for their air journey.

A director of the firm said: "Continental people are insatiable shellfish eaters. This winter the demand is likely to exceed the supply. Bad weather has prevented the boats from going out among the rocks where the fish are found."

Britain May Have First Jet Tanker

The first big merchant ship in the world to be jet-propelled may be the 8,200-ton British tanker Auris.

An experimental gas-turbine engine for the Auris is now being tested in England. The tests are expected to go on for six months.

Various forms of fuel will be used. The Auris—the cost about £500,000 to build—three years ago was the first tanker to be propelled by diesel-electric machinery.

When the new jet engine is ready, one of the four diesel-electric engines in the tanker will be taken out to make room for it.

London Diary:

Molyneux Farewell Shocks Smart Women

Decision of Captain Molyneux to close his Paris fashion house has shocked the smart women of the city. Ten weeks ago Molyneux announced the closing of his London salon; it was then thought he would concentrate on his Paris business. Failing eyesight, however, has forced him to give up.

Molyneux plans a long holiday in Bermuda after Christmas; but he is keeping on his Paris home, where he has a fine collection of modern paintings.

Majority of his Paris staff will have no difficulty in finding new posts. Best known of them is tall, distinguished Mme. "Maggie" Denis. She has been with Molyneux 19 years, became directress of his salon.

NEVER-OPENED GATES
Repairs to the ironwork of the Commonwealth Gates, which stand at the entrance to Green Park from the area of the Victoria Memorial, are almost finished. A year ago examination disclosed that weather and rust had severely corroded some of the scroll work.

The gates will now be regilded. These, with the pillars of Portland Stone at the park entrances from the Mall and Horse Guards Walk, were included in the contribution from the Dominions and dependencies to the commemorative of the reign of Queen Victoria.

They have never been open for general use. Why not open them when the regilding is done?

BEST CLIMATE
Weather man Dr. C. E. P. Brooks has left the Air Ministry after 43 years in the Meteorological Department. He is 62, has been head of the Climatology Division. Once he calculated that the world had 15 million thunderstorms in a year.

Says Dr. Brooks: "Britain owes her progress to her climate." It is the best in the world to produce alert, energetic people. About his work, he adds: "I was never bored until a few months ago when I became slightly deaf and had to attend conferences I could not hear."

MINISTER KEEPS OUT
Lord Pakenham, Minister of Civil Aviation, went to Northolt Airport to fly to Manchester. He was about to walk into the departure lounge to buy a newspaper, but paused at the doorway.

"Will I be breaking any rules if I go in here," he asked a policeman.

"You will be," replied the policeman. "This is the lounge for Continental passengers who have already cleared Customs and Immigration controls."

"Then I won't go in," said Pakenham.

He found an airport official who is allowed in the lounge. "Would you mind going and buying me a newspaper?" asked the Minister. "I don't want to break any rules."

Treasury since he came out of the Army in 1919. He succeeded Mr. D. J. Wardle who has died.

Mr. Thompson is married and has two sons. Salaries of new post, and of his old as an Under-Secretary of Treasury, have both been increased from £2,000 to £2,200 a year under the Civil Service which began last month.

TRIOLE OVER TZE
That little trio, called Tze, Tze, Tze, which the dance bands play tirelessly at the moment, the centre of a curious right tangle. And the m the centre of it has just arrived in London on his way to York—where he hopes to up the middle.

He is, be expected, smoking. 30-year-old Issa Miron, now deputy director of the music department of the Israeli Ministry of Education, went to Palestine an immigrant from Poland in 1939. He joined the Jewish unit which fought with the Eighth Army in North Africa later was in the Israeli Army. But Miron is a musician, a soldier. He has written many songs. And since he is now known as Tze, Tze, Tze.

Miron is on his way to claim royalties out of all the success. There are already various copyright disputes America over the song. Looks like a complicated problem.

IN CHARGE OF THE MINT
Unpaid job which Mr. Galtschell took on when he became Chancellor of the Exchequer was that of Master, Worker and Warden of the Royal Mint. But the effective head of the Mint is the Deputy Master and Comptroller, and a new one has been appointed.

He is Mr. L. H. Thompson, 57, who has been at the

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The Only Precaution Is—'Be More Careful Next Time'

By GARRY CLEVELAND MYERS, Ph.D.

NO matter how vigilant and protective of her baby or young child a mother may be, some accidents almost surely will befall him. Facing every child will be perils the most cautious parents can't foresee. The only wise precaution for the young mother is—be more careful next time.

Some dangers before the infant can creep or walk are: falling from a table (when being bathed), bed or carriage or high chair; swallowing small objects, or suffocating in bed-clothing. Perhaps falling is the least perilous as he is light in weight and his bones are very pliable. But as the mother bathes and cares for him, she may leave an open can of powder or drop a cork or bottle cover or safety pin within his reach. For the infant to suck powder into his lungs can be very dangerous. He can suffocate if he pulls the covers over his face. The cautious mother securely pins the covers below his feet.

A few babies suffocate while sleeping with the mother.

Tired when nursing him she may pull him into bed with her and not awaken when he has finished his meal. When the baby is bathed in a tub when he can sit alone, the mother can't safely leave him in the tub to answer the telephone, lest he topple over into the water.

SMALL THINGS

When the baby creeps, so many small things are available for him to put into his mouth. When you discover he has something in his mouth, get it from him very gently and calmly lest he swallow the next object he has in his mouth. Wonderful is the mother who induces the baby, on finding any small object on the floor, to bring it to her and receive a tender smile and pat as rewards. He can pull things down on himself. Electric fans, gas and electric heaters, fire in the fireplace can be alluring perils to him. So can a gas jet or electric wire-plug opening near the floor. New houses rarely have such dangers near the floor. The mother with a baby in a house with electric outlets in the youngster's reach, keeps the openings closed with a

dummy plug. Then, too, wire cords on the floor connecting lights, radio and the like can be very dangerous to the creeping baby if the insulation should be impaired or if the baby should chew the cord.

The kitchen is a perilous place for the baby who can creep, and more so as he can stand holding to things or toddle. Not only does the baby like to be where his mother is but the kitchen has so much fascination for him; the sounds of cooking or frying foods, of clanking pots and pans, and various gadgets being handled. Then in a low cupboard beneath may be cleaning materials so very dangerous to the tot.

SUFFICIENT SPACE

If there be sufficient space there might be one low drawer or cupboard farthest from the stove which he can open and in which he can find pens and lids and other safe utensils he can bang or put together or handle to his heart's content, provided he learns to play only at this place in the kitchen. He may be much safer if he has many of these things to play with in his baby pen which might be placed near the kitchen door while his mother is there. Certainly the mother can't afford to let her creeping, reaching and just-toddling baby have free run of the kitchen unless she has trained him to remain at the safest place in it and never to reach for things above his head. An immediate slap on his bare hands by the mother's flat hand every time he thus reaches up for things in the kitchen will soon insure him against this grave hazard, especially if always after getting such pain he can be turned to pleasure in a safe place with safe play-things.

Crisp Look



Crease-resistant beige dress.

By VERA WINSTON

FOR the career girl, the college girl or indeed for any one who admires the neat, crisp look, here is a nice dress of beige rayon flannel that is crease-resistant. There are folds down either side of the buttoned-down centre band that dips in a little below the brown calf belt. To soften the line it has a white faille collar and cuffs. The skirt is cut on modified peg-top lines. A brown velvet tie matches the calf buttons.

Household Hint

When you plan a meal, think also of the dishwashing that follows. To save dishes, use utensils that double as serving dishes—glass, pottery, baking dishes, shiny pots and pans, etc. We pay high prices for sizzling skillets served in restaurants; why not use them at home?



Circular Cape—To Wear Over Suit Or Tailored Dress



Finish neckline with straight neckband and ties, or with scarf collar. Sew snap fastener or hook and eye at cape neckline to close.

Scarf Collar: Use four corner pieces to make a scarf-like collar. Place right sides of two pieces together and make seams 2" long, as at H. Repeat with other two pieces, as at I.

Trim off short ends beyond 3/4" seam allowance. Press seams open. Place right sides of these corner pieces together, seams over each other, as at J, and pin.

To make this cape, take 1 1/2 yds. of 54" wool fabric. Straighten both ends. For a straight neckband with ties, tear off 2" crosswise strip, as shown. Then pin selvedge edges together.

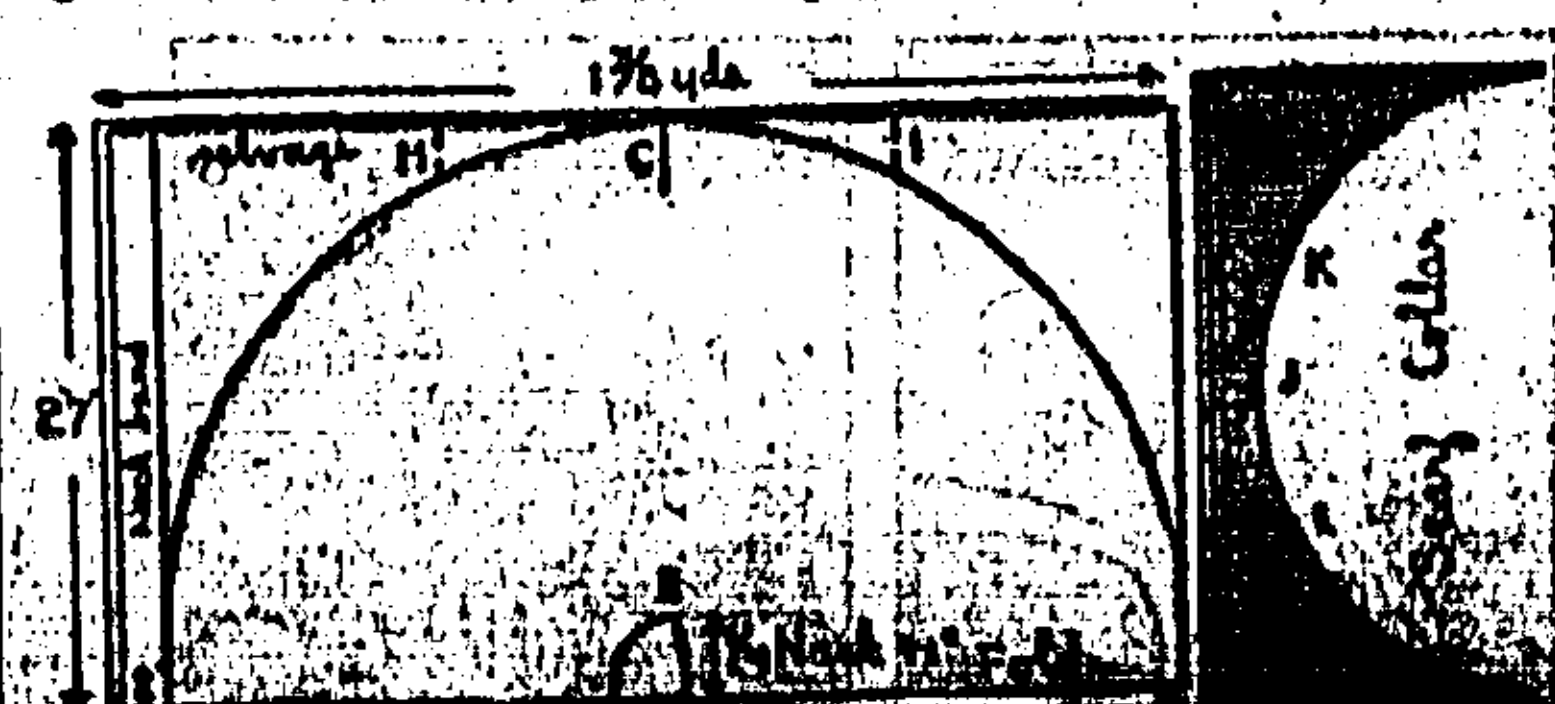
Mark centre of fold (A). Tie a string to piece of chalk or lead pencil, hold free end of string at A and pencil at B, and draw arc from B to C and C to D. Cut on line through both thicknesses.

Measure in from A 1/4 neck measurement plus 1" (E). Measure to left of A 1/8 neck plus 1/2" for F, to right of A 1/4" for G.

Draw curves from F to E and to G. Cut G to E, and around to F for neckband.

Slash fold F to B for centre front. Lay a 2" inverted pleat in centre back—G to D.

Finish front edges with 3/4" slip-stitched hems. Make narrow hem on entire circular edge.



WELL-KNOWN NURSING AMBASSADOR RETIRES

Nurses in many parts of the world will be interested to hear that Dame Katherine Watt, Nightingale Medal of the International Red Cross, Dame Britain's Ministry of Health has general training in Glasgow, past year Dame Katherine has travelled to the Middle East, the Far East and Australasia as a "nursing ambassador". She paid visits to Syria, the Lebanon, Iran, Iraq, India, Pakistan, and Ceylon, and made an extended tour of Egypt, Australia and New Zealand. She was, indeed, the first nurse to visit all these countries by invitation in an official capacity. On these tours she attended nursing conferences, and exchanged ideas with medical and nursing colleagues on hospital work in general, and in particular the recent new developments in Britain.

Nightingale Medal

It was in 1945 that this indefatigable woman was created a Dame of the British Empire for her services to nursing. In 1949 she was awarded the Florence Nightingale Medal of the International Red Cross. Dame Katherine, who received her general training in Glasgow, Scotland, and her midwifery training in London, served both the British and overseas during World War I in Queen Alexandra's Imperial Military Nursing Service.

In 1919 Dame Katherine joined the Princess Mary's Royal Air Force Nursing Service, of which she was Matron-in-chief from 1930 to 1938. The following year she joined the Ministry of Health and was appointed Principal Matron for the Emergency Medical Service. In 1941 a staff of professional nursing officers were appointed at the Ministry of Health, and Dame Katherine became first holder of the newly-created post of Chief Nursing Officer, and she held this post until her appointment in 1948 as Chief Nursing Adviser.

BOYS' AND GIRLS' MAGAZINE

Caterpillars Had a Problem —They Wanted to Cross the Brook—

By MAX TRELL

CLARENCE, who was a caterpillar met his friend Archibald, who was also a caterpillar. They met at the edge of the brook. Across the brook was a field filled with bushes and vines and young trees.

"Good-morning, Clarence!" said Archibald.

"Good-morning to you, Archibald!" said Clarence.

"Have you looked across to the other side of the brook, Clarence?" said Archibald.

"Indeed I have!" answered Clarence. "It makes me hungry just to see how many beautiful, young tender green leaves are on the other side, all waiting to be nibbled."

"Yes," said Archibald, sighing a caterpillar-sigh from his head to the end of his tail, "but how, my dear Clarence, are we going to get to the other side of the brook to be able to nibble all those beautiful, young tender green leaves?"

Clarence shook his head. "I don't know."

The Other Side

"Neither do I," said Archibald. "But surely there must be some way to get to the other side."

At that moment a beetle came along. Clarence and Archibald both nodded politely. The beetle seemed to be quite busy. He was carrying a large sack over his shoulder.

"Good-morning, Beetle," said Clarence. "My friend Archibald and I were just wondering how we could get to the other side of the brook on account of all those beautiful, young tender green leaves that are growing there, all waiting to be nibbled. Can you tell us how we can cross the brook without getting wet?"

"Certainly," said the beetle, resting his heavy sack on the ground for a moment. "It's very easy. Just get somebody to carry you across."

"Somebody? Who? What somebody?" said Clarence and Archibald, both at the same time.

"A duck," said the beetle. "Get a duck to carry you across. A duck is just the thing."

Then the beetle picked up his heavy sack, and walked off, leaving the two caterpillars to wonder where they could find a duck.

Just then Willy Toad, who lived not far from the brook, came hopping by. "Hiya, fellows," said Willy. "What are you waiting for?"

Archibald explained that they were waiting for a duck.



A duck is just what you need the beetle said.

"Because a duck," interrupted Clarence, "can take us across to the other side of the brook where we can get to the beautiful young tender green leaves that are growing there, and that are waiting to be nibbled."

Clarence and Archibald looked at each other.

"No," agreed Archibald, "we certainly can't make a boat."

"But how are we ever going to get across?"

"I don't know, my friend—I really don't know."

But at that moment a really wonderful thing happened. A great wind suddenly blew up. The sky grew black. There was thunder and lightning—or lightning and thunder. But the wind was worse. Archibald and Clarence both crawled fast as they could under a dried leaf.

Pour-up in the air went the leaf, with the two caterpillars clinging to it with all their might.

And when the leaf came down, and the sky cleared up, and the thunder and lightning stopped—there were Clarence and Archibald on the other side of the brook. And they weren't a bit wet. And oh how hungry they were for those beautiful, young green tender leaves.

"Don't wait for a duck," advised Willy. "Ducks don't bother crossing brooks. They do their swimming in ponds. Now the way to get across to the other side of this brook without getting wet is to make yourselves a boat."

"What! Make ourselves a boat? How could we do that?" asked Archibald in surprise.

"It's easy," said Willy. "First you make the bottom, then you make the top, then you make the front and then you make the back. That's all there is to making a boat." With that Willy hopped off.

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A Second Chin One Too Many



Ward off a double chin by massaging the area for a few minutes when you cream your face at night. Use both hands and a firm stroke.

By HELEN FOLLETT

YOUNG women who observe that the bathroom scales report a few extra pounds now and then should take warning, see the writing on the wall. Over-curves may be forming. But that may not be the

worst of it. A spare chin may be on the way. One does not have to be a heavyweight, or edging along toward middle age, to have this affliction come upon one.

Take a look with a strong mirror. Is a little line forming between the tip of your chin and where an Adam's apple would be? If the Eves among us and one? It is a sign that should be heeded. It is high time for you to make it a practice to cream your face every night of your life.

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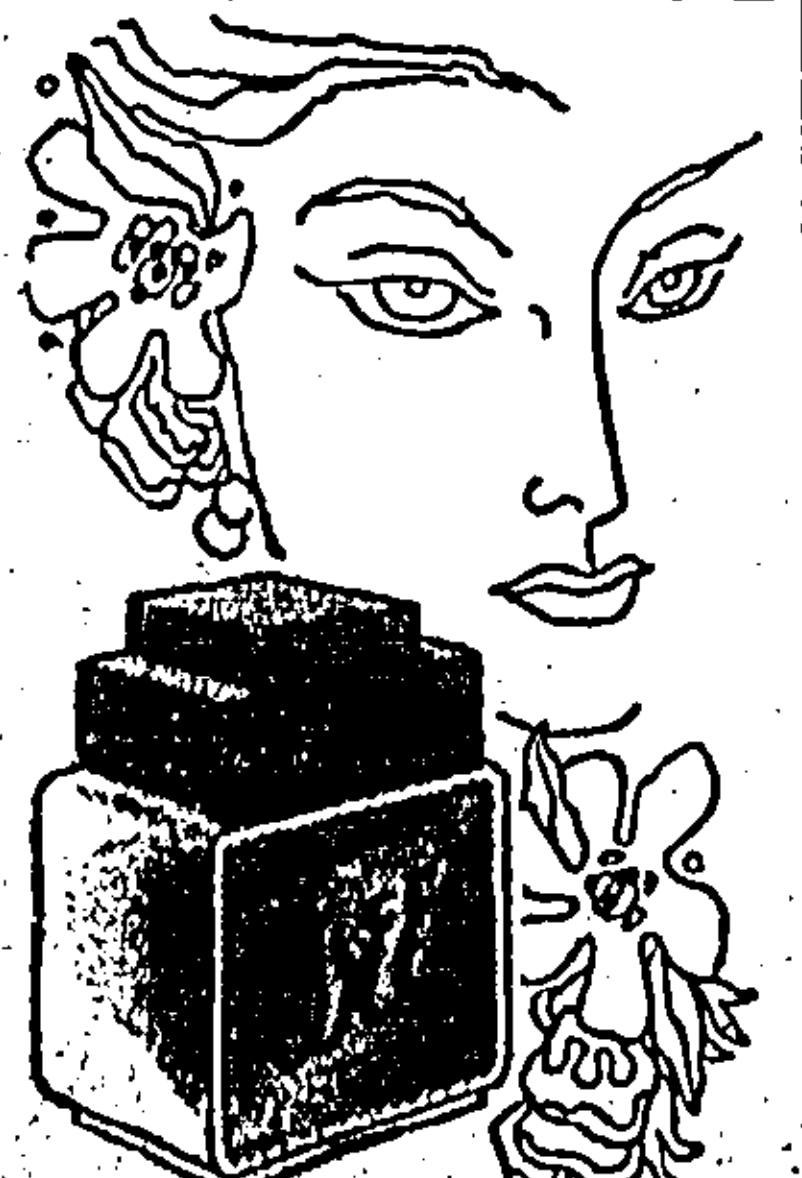
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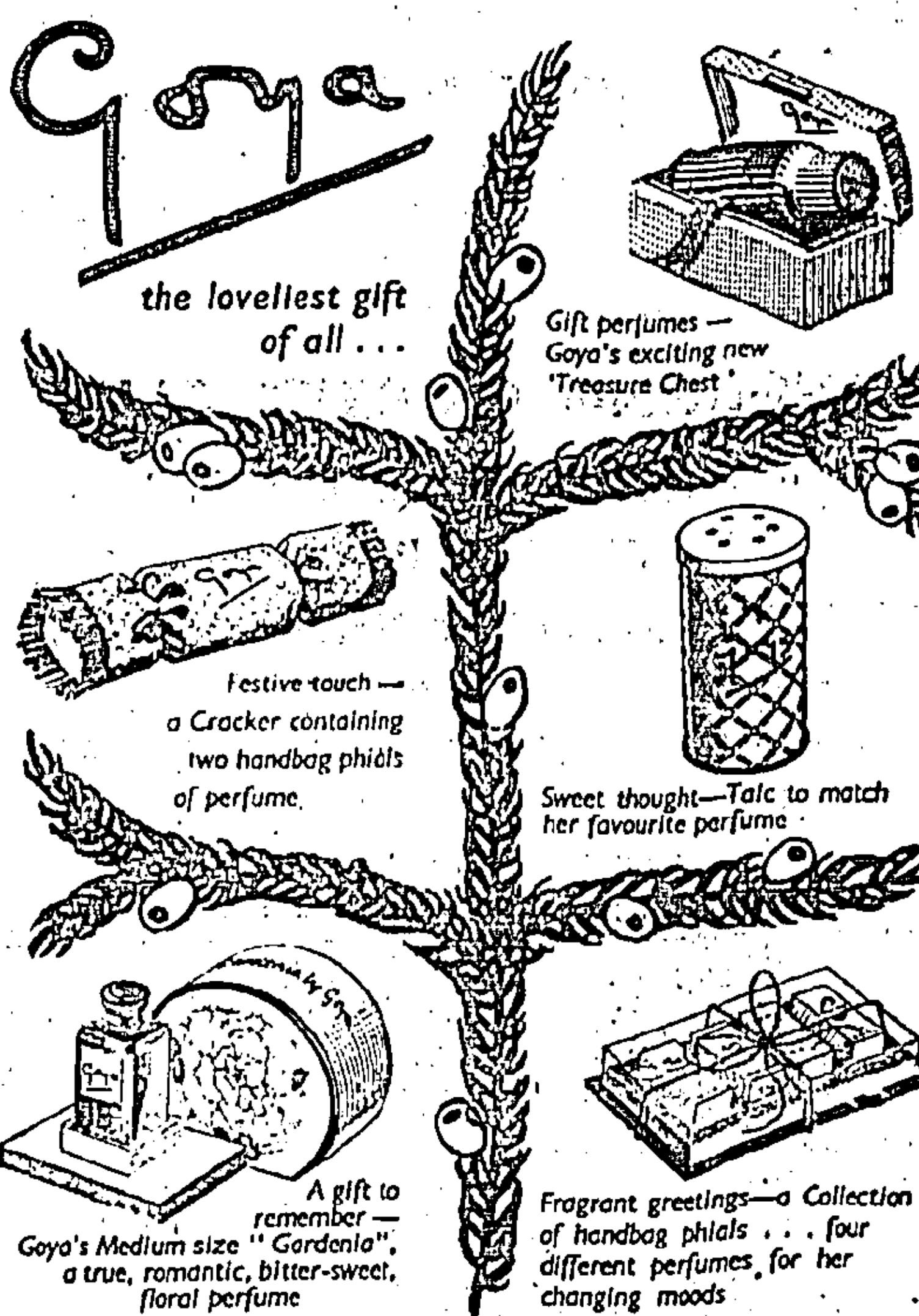
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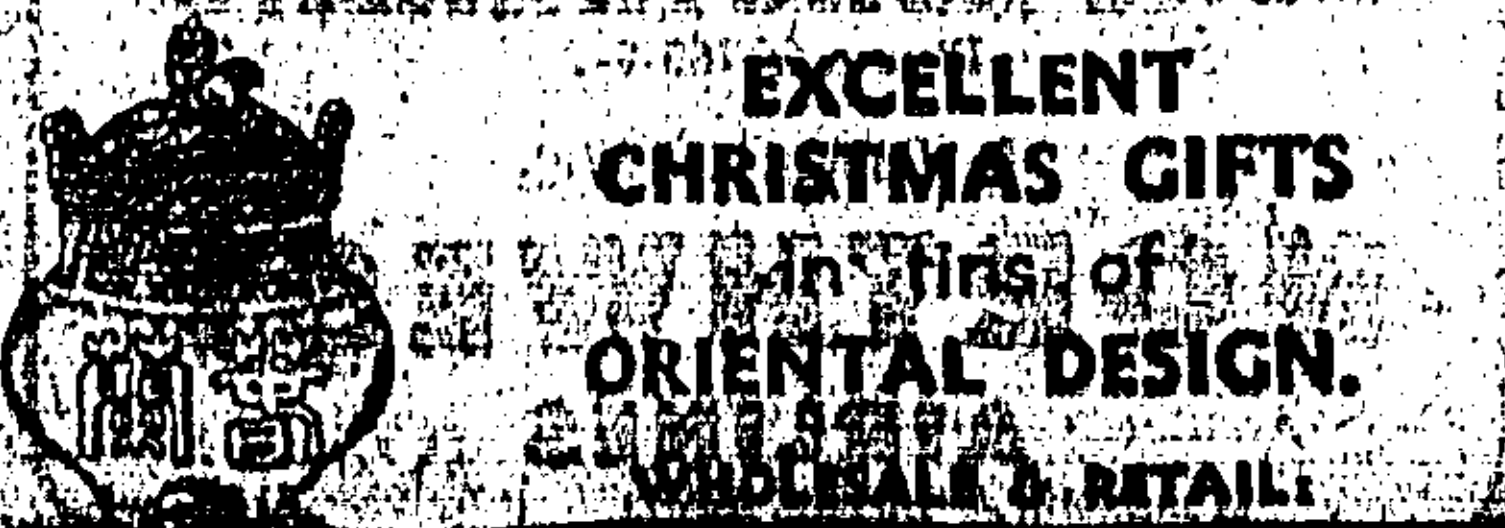
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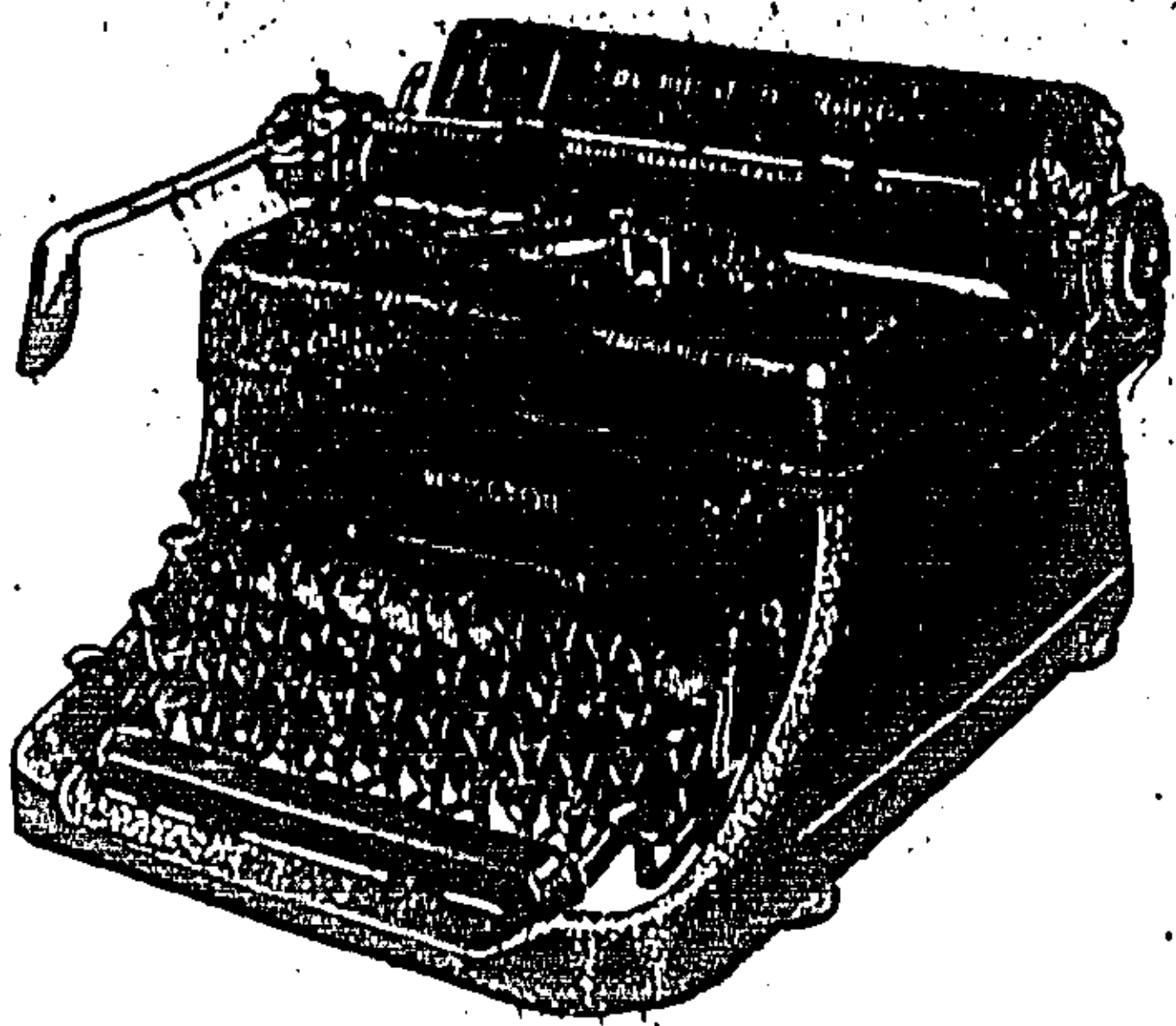
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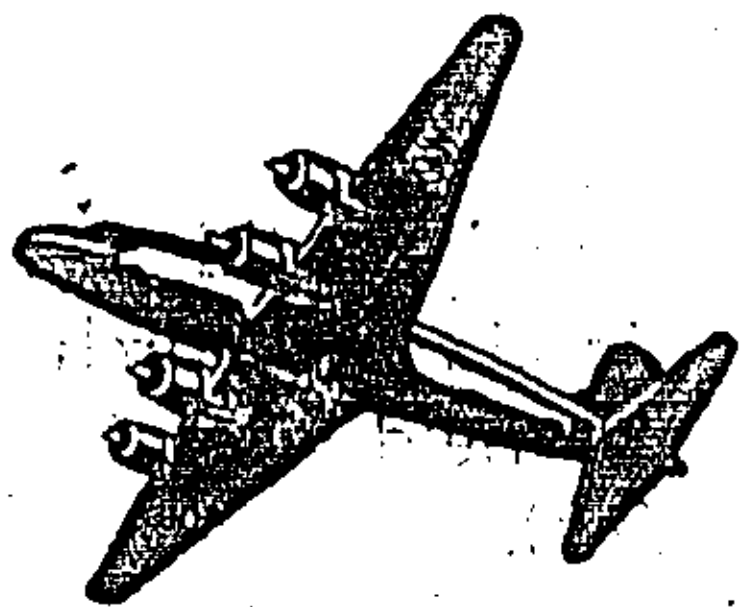
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THE BRITISH BRIDES IN MOSCOW

RUSSIA'S crack express, the Red Arrow, leaves Moscow for the 500-mile journey to Leningrad at ten minutes to midnight.

Normally, the platform is deserted, but twice a month a merry crowd gathers outside the last coach of all to wish homeward-bound members of our Embassy in Moscow a happy journey and a safe voyage.

There is much hand-shaking, vigorous back-slapping, and above all hearty singing, and the Lenin-

grad Flier invariably pulls out to the strains of "Auld Lang Syne."

But while the diplomats and their staff know that their journey home is only postponed until their tour of duty expires, a gallant little band of tear-stained women walk away from the station wondering if their turn will ever come to set sail for England.

They are the Soviet brides of Englishmen from whom most of them have been parted for nearly five years.

There are not many of them left now. Some have been persuaded to divorce their husbands, others have just mysteriously disappeared.

But the four who are left in Moscow still believe that the day will come when they will be reunited.

Living in a perpetual agony of fear, never knowing the moment when the dreaded secret police will pounce upon them, these women have an amazing faith with which goes an intense moral stamina.

IN THE EMBASSY

They ask for only one thing in life—an exit visa from Russia with a ticket for London.

I talked to them almost every day, shared their hopes and disappointments; but their faith never flagged even when the secret police intensified their efforts to break down their indomitable will-power.

Not only are all their movements restricted, their most innocent conversations passed on to the police, they are also banned from employment by any Soviet agency.

Work, however, has been found for them by the British Embassy; thus only are they able to live.

Three of them, Mrs. Rosa Henderson, Mrs. Ira Ricketts, and Mrs. Nadia Bolton, are employed in the Press department of the embassy. Mrs. Hall in the embassy itself.

All four speak English fluently, eagerly read English newspapers, and scan the fashion magazines. Mrs. Ricketts is an expert shorthand-typist-translator, Mrs. Bolton is a clerk, and Mrs. Hall and Mrs. Henderson operate the telephone switchboards of the embassy and Press department.

PRISONERS

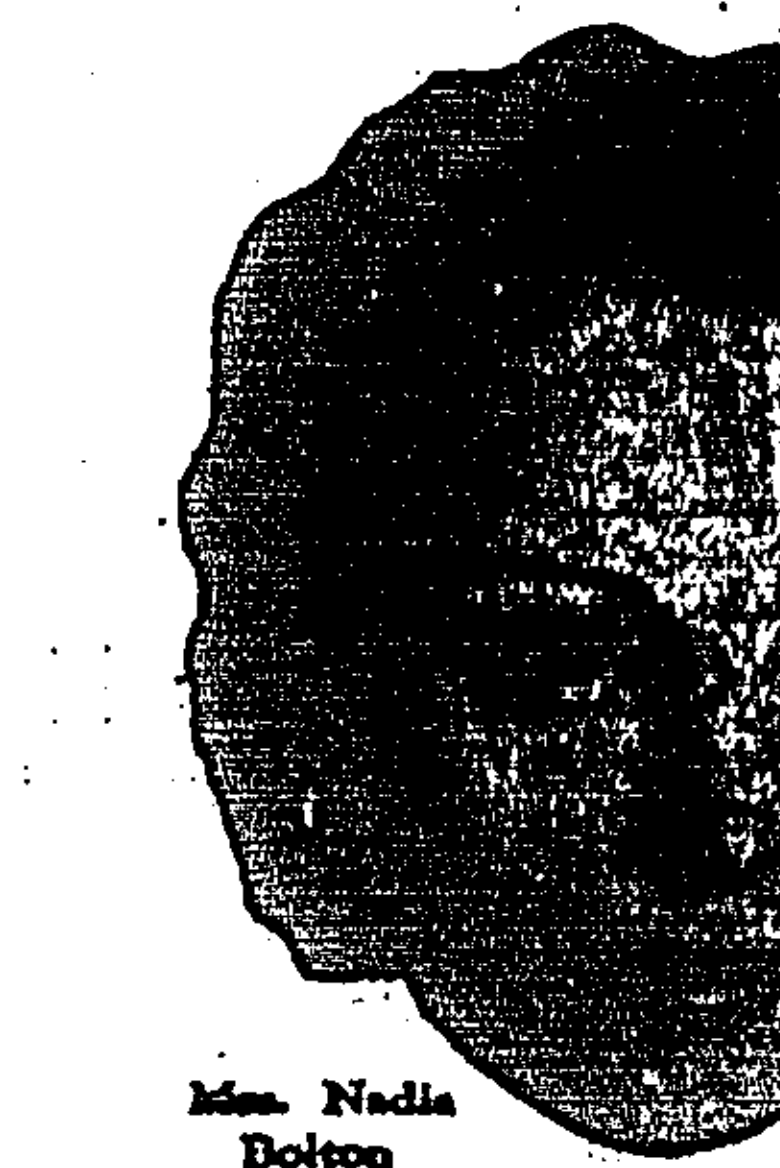
Two of them, Mrs. Hall and Mrs. Bolton, still share their parents' home. Mrs. Henderson and Mrs. Ricketts occupy rooms in the basement of the "Comintern," as the British Press department in Kalinin Street is known familiarly to all Muscovites, especially taxi drivers.

A big, rambling building, it was originally built by a rich Leningrad sugar merchant for his favourite ballerina.

Fantastically designed, with a spacious ballroom and conservatory, it was at one time one of the show places of Moscow. Today two of the Soviet brides are virtually prisoners within its narrow confines.

Two and sometimes three guards are permanently on duty outside its iron gates.

As soon as one of the brides leaves the premises in company



Mrs. Nadia Bolton

with a member of the embassy—they seldom venture out alone—one of the guards quickly walks over, telephones the police, and the girl and her companion are shadowed until they return.

You need nerves of steel to stand up to a life like that.

I have seen the girls in tears only once: that was the day when one of their number failed to report for duty. They came to my room, baffled and puzzled as to the meaning of it all and tearfully wondering whose turn it would be next.

Women members of the embassy help to brighten the girls'

by **RICHARD JONES**
who was Editor of the Embassy magazine *British Ally* in Moscow

existence by taking them about with them to the cinema, theatre, and occasional cocktail parties.

They are also welcomed at embassy functions when they are cordially greeted by the British Ambassador and Lady Kelly.

By the Soviet authorities, of course, these girls are still regarded as Soviet citizens although the decree forbidding the marriage of Russians to foreigners did not become law until after they had wedded their British husbands.

Pointedly reminded that in Soviet eyes they were still Soviet citizens, though in actual fact deprived of the privileges of citizenship, they were recently "persuaded" to sign the "Communist inspired Peace Manifesto."

To have refused would have meant a further tightening of the net around them, and possible refusal of registration without which they would be unable to work even for foreigners.

THE MAIL

The highlight of their lives these days is the twice-weekly arrival of the mail from England.

I have watched some of them open their letters with trembling fingers, seen them read their letters twice and three times over, and then sigh.

It was heartbreaking at times, but it was not long before they resumed their customary cheerful selves. Nobody must see them downhearted.



Mrs. Hall

One of their prize possessions, and which they indeed regard as their mascot, is a jet black Siberian cat, one of whose off-spring was my daughter's chief pet.

Strange things happen to Soviet citizens even in Britain.

This incident took place barely a month ago.

Alexei Alexander—that's what we'll call him—was a Ukrainian, brought to Britain as a P.O.W. He liked it so much that when the time came for him to be repatriated he said he would prefer to stay.

He got a job at a brickworks at Blochley. One day Alexei had toothache, and went to London to see a dental specialist. The specialist promised to have the aching tooth out in an hour or two.

During the waiting period Alexei thought he would visit the Soviet Embassy to see how things were going back home.

Officials assured him they were going on fine. Construction was going on everywhere; they needed men like Alexei.

As Alexei admitted afterwards, they told him the idea, besides which he had a nostalgia for his native health. So when officials told him that there was a boat going to Russia he accepted a free passage.

NEVER AGAIN

He did not return to the dentist; he did not return to Blochley; in fact, he never left the Soviet Embassy until it was time to leave for the boat.

It was not until the boat was heading down the Thames that Alexei began to have misgivings.

During the whole of the journey to Stockholm his conversation was full of regrets that he had allowed himself to be "persuaded."

Finally, he told the captain that he was getting off at Stockholm. But Alexei was so well guarded that he was not allowed even to step ashore.

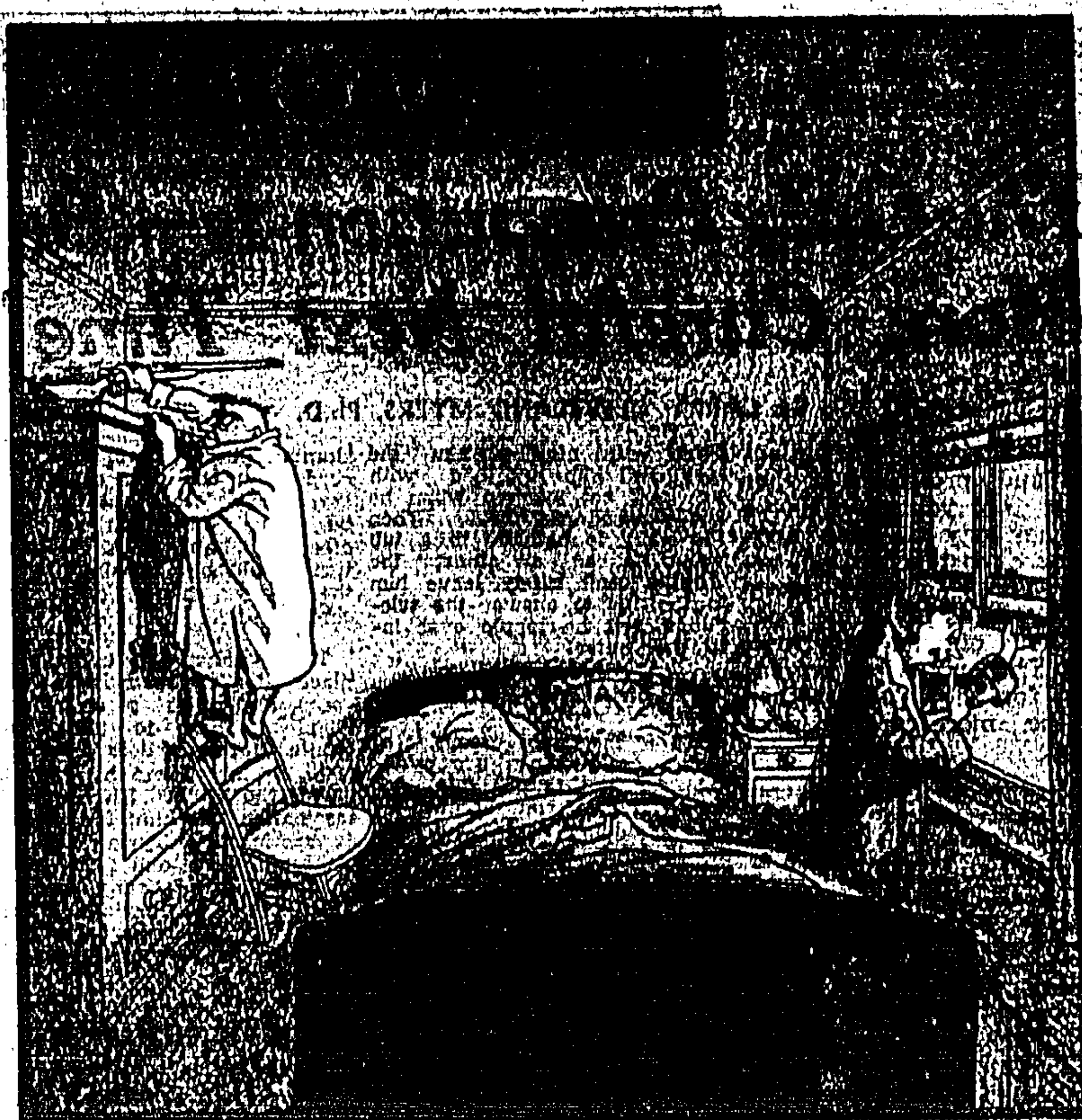
He had still one chance, and he decided that when the boat reached Helsinki, last port of call before Leningrad, he would slip over the side and seek sanctuary in the British Legation.

But none of the passengers ever saw Alexei again.

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TOMORROW:

Corruption in the Soviet regime



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Picasso—Painter and Wealthy Communist

(By A Special Correspondent)

PARIS, Nov. 11.

ONE of France's wealthiest Communists showed his passport at the British Customs at Dover on his way to the World Peace Congress in Sheffield. His papers, issued in France, gave his name as Pablo Picasso, and his profession as artist.

His birth certificate, issued in Malaga, Spain, where he was born 69 years ago, gives him seven other Christian names after Pablo, including Nepomuceno and Cristiniano.

Just before he left France for Sheffield, Picasso sat down in his Paris Left Bank apartment and checked his 1950 income-tax returns, compiled by his highly paid male secretary.

His 12 pet white mice scattered round the floor and seven pet birds cooed in the ceiling rafters of his drawing-room as he looked at the tax figures.

When he had finished totting up his returns, he knew he was one of the richest men in France.

In periods

His output has been so enormous that it is classified by periods.

Some of these periods are: Blue, Harlequin, Rose, Cubism, Negro, Realist, Abstract, Monochrome, Planes, Pointillism, Neo-Impressionism, Classicism, Eclecticism, Rococo-like, Forms, Still Life, Surrealism, Sculpture, Fantasies moulded from wire, tin, or pressed paper, Bullfight, and the Spanish War Guernica period.

His ways of expressing himself are unbounded. He has even designed patterns for linoleum and carpets, and painted pictures with car lacquer.

A part of his income he will pay as subscription to the Communist Party.

£1,000 sketches

For the Sheffield conference, Picasso has designed the publicity poster showing a dove of peace in flight. He has made no charge for this.

But when the New York Museum of Modern Art bought his 6ft. x 7ft. Cubist painting, *The Three Musicians*, a few months ago, the trustees paid £250,000 for it—a record for a modern painting.

Pencil sketches the size of a foolscap sheet of paper by the master are selling in Paris galleries for £500 and £1,000 each.

Small drawing-room paintings by Picasso are selling for £2,000 to £8,000 and more.

Draws tourists

In Birmingham five years ago a reproduction of one of his paintings was shown upside down to an audience—and nobody knew.

Three years ago Picasso decided to stop painting and try his richly original hand at making ceramic pottery. He moved into a luxury villa at Vallauris on the Riviera.

A potter's turner earns less than £5 a week at Vallauris, and turns out 40 to 60 pots a day.

Pots designed by new-comer Picasso are selling in Vallauris for £60 each.

Even Picasso-designed posters advertising the current Vallauris pottery exhibition, signed by the master, are selling at ten guineas each.

But Vallauris shopkeepers are not sorry Picasso became a potter for he and his work bring 100,000 tourists to the little village yearly.

In his twenties Picasso was poor and even had to share a bed. He used to write poetry on Paris cafe terrace tables.

His most constant companion now is his second wife, a beautiful, dark, 28-year-old French artist who retains her maiden name of Francoise Gillet, daughter of a chemical products maker.

She has borne him two children—a four-year-old son, Claude, and a ten-month-old girl, Paloma. Paloma is the Spanish for dove.

At 69, Picasso says: "Claude and Paloma are my nearest works." Most of his recent paintings have been tender, romantic portraits of his two children.

What does Picasso do with his money? His efficient Spanish male secretary invests much of it for "his young wife" and children.

'Destruction'

He is said to have investments on both sides of the Iron Curtain. In the past two years he has visited Prague and Warsaw.

During the Spanish war he gave huge sums to the Republican army to buy planes. He is one of the largest contributors to the French Communist Party.

He once said cryptically: "Before me, painting was the sum of additions; my painting is the sum of destruction."

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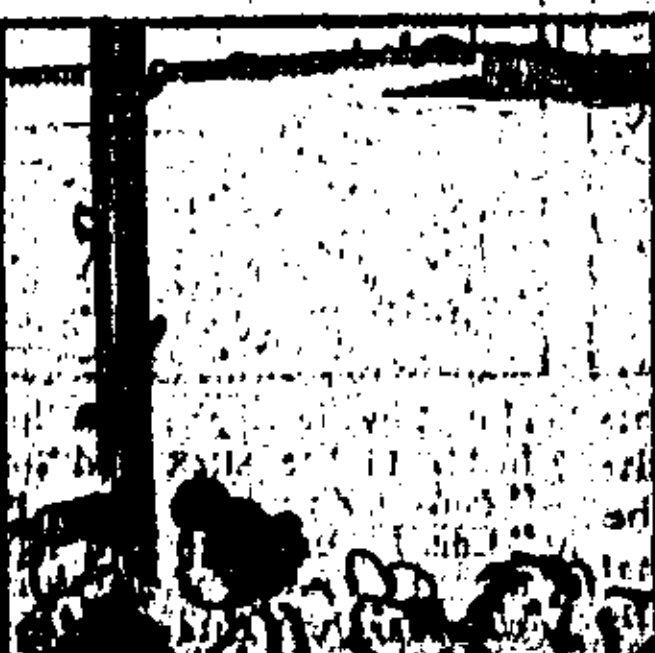
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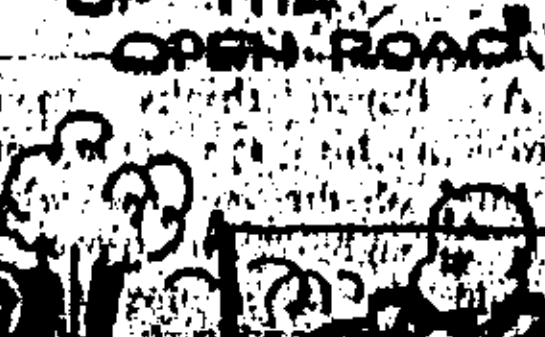
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HOW THE DECISION WAS TAKEN TO INVADE NORTH AFRICA

DURING this month of July, 1942, when I was politically at my weakest and without a gleam of success, had to procure from the United States the decision, for good or ill, to invade the next two years of the war. This was an abandonment of all plans for crossing the Channel in 1942, and the occupation of French North Africa in the autumn or winter by a large Anglo-American expedition.

I had made a careful study of the President's mind and reactions for some time, and I was sure that he was powerfully attracted by the North Africa plan. This had always been my aim, as set forth in my papers of December, 1941. There was by general agreement on the British side that no major sea-channel operation could take place before 1943, but all preparation for mounting in the greatest strength would continue with the utmost zeal.

The moment had come to try "Sledgehammer" (an attack on Brest and Cherbourg), which had been dead some time.

Plainest terms

With the general agreement of all my colleagues and the Chiefs of Staff, I stated the case with whatever force I could command and in the plainest terms in an important telegram to the President.

On 8 July 42, the responsible British Generals, Admirals, or Air Marshals, prepared to recommend "Sledgehammer" as a practicable operation in 1942. The Chiefs of Staff have reported, "The conditions which would make 'Sledgehammer' a sound, sensible enterprise are very unlikely to occur." They are now sending their paper to your Chiefs of Staff.

I am taking up of the shipping being proceeded with by us for camouflage purposes, though it involves a loss in

British imports of perhaps 250,000 tons. But for more serious is the fact that, according to Mountbatten, if we interrupt the training of the troops we should, apart from the loss of landing-craft, &c., delay "Round-up" (full-scale invasion of Europe) or 1943 "Bolero" (preparations for the main landing in France) for at least two or three months, even if the enterprise were unsuccessful and the troops had to be withdrawn after a short stay.

Bomber effort

In the event of a lodgment being effected and maintained it would have to be nourished, and the bomber effort on Germany would have to be greatly curtailed. All our energies would be involved in defending the bridgehead. The possibility of mounting a large-scale operation in 1943 would be marred, if not ruined.

All our resources would be absorbed in the attempt to absorb a narrow front which alone is open. It may therefore be said that premature action in 1942, while probably ending in disaster, would decisively injure the prospect of well-organised large-scale action in 1943. I am sure myself that French North Africa ("Gymnast") is by far the best chance for effecting a landing on the Russian front in 1942. This has all along been in harmony with your idea. In fact, it is your commanding idea. Here is the true Second Front of 1942. I have consulted Cabinet and Defence Committee, and we all agree. Here is the safest and most fruitful stroke that can be delivered this autumn.

Difficulties

Besides the above we are studying very hard the possibility of an operation in Northern Norway (known as "Jupiter"), or if this should prove impracticable, elsewhere in Norway. The difficulties are great owing to the danger of shore-based aircraft attack upon our ships. We are having frightful difficulties about the Russian convoys. All the more is it necessary to try to

clear the way and maintain the contact with Russia. In Washington neither Gen. Marshall (who urged a landing in Europe during 1942) nor Admiral King (whose eyes were on the Pacific) favoured the North Africa venture. Mr. Roosevelt decided to send both men to London with Mr. Harry Hopkins to discuss Mr. Churchill's recent correspondence with the President.

Our American visitors landed at Prestwick on Saturday, July 18, and travelled by train to London. Here they went into immediate conference with the American Service Chiefs now established in the capital. Eisenhower, Clark, Stark and Spaatz. The debate on "Sledgehammer" was renewed. Opinion among the American leaders was still strongly in favour of pressing on exclusively with this operation. Only the President himself seemed to have been impressed by my arguments. He had drafted for the delegation the most massive and masterly document on war policy that I ever saw from his hand.

War policy

MEMORANDUM FOR HON. HARRY L. HOPKINS, GEN. MARSHALL AND ADMIRAL KING. You will proceed immediately to London as my personal representatives for the purpose of consultation with the appropriate British authorities on the conduct of the war. The strategic changes have been so great since Mr. Churchill's visit to Washington that it became necessary to reach immediate agreement on joint operational plans between the British and ourselves along two lines:

- (a) Definite plans for the balance of 1942.
- (b) Tentative plans for the year 1943, which of course will be subject to change in the light of occurrences in 1942, but which should be laid down at this time in all cases involving preparation in 1942 for operations in 1943.

The common aim of the United Nations must be the defeat of the Axis Powers. There cannot be compromise on this point.

We should concentrate our efforts and avoid dispersion. Absolute co-ordinated use of British and American forces is essential. All available U.S. and British forces should be brought into action as quickly as they can be profitably used. It is of the highest importance that U.S. ground troops be brought into action against the enemy in 1942.

Persian route

British and American material promises to Russia must be carried out in good faith. If the Persian route of delivery is used, preference must be given to combat material. This aid must continue as long as delivery is possible, and Russia must be encouraged to continue resistance. Only complete collapse, which seems unthinkable, should alter this determination on our part.

In regard to 1942, you will carefully investigate the possibility of executing "Sledgehammer." Such an operation would definitely sustain Russia this year. "Sledgehammer" is of such grave importance that every reason calls for accomplishment of it.

You should strongly urge immediate all-out preparations for it, that it be pushed with utmost vigour, and that it be executed whether or not Russian collapse becomes imminent. In the event Russian collapse becomes probable, "Sledgehammer" becomes not merely advisable but imperative. The principal objective of "Sledgehammer" is the positive diversion of German air forces from the Russian front.

Another place

Only if you are completely convinced that "Sledgehammer" is impossible of execution with reasonable chance of serving its intended purpose inform me. If "Sledgehammer" is finally and definitely out of the picture I want you to consider the world situation as it exists at that time, and de-

termine upon another place for United States troops to fight in 1942.

- (a) If Russia contains a large German force against her, "Round-up" becomes possible in 1943 and plans for "Round-up" should be immediately considered and preparations made for it.
- (b) If Russia collapses and German air and ground forces are released "Round-up" may be impossible of fulfilment in 1943.

The Middle East should be held as strongly as possible, whether Russia collapses or not. I want you to take into consideration the effect of losing the Middle East. Such loss means in series:

Possibilities

Loss of Egypt and the Suez Canal; loss of Syria; loss of Mosul oil-wells; loss of the Persian Gulf through attacks from the north and west, together with access to all Persian Gulf oil; joining hands between Germany and Japan and the probable loss of the Indian Ocean; the very important probability of German occupation of Tunis, Algiers, Morocco, Dakar and the cutting of the ferry route through Free-town and Liberia; serious danger to all shipping in the South Atlantic and serious danger to Brazil and the whole of the east coast of South America.

Include in the above possibilities the use by the Germans of Spain, Portugal, and their territories. You will determine the best methods of holding the Middle East. These methods include definitely either or both the following: (a) Sending air and ground forces to the Persian Gulf, to Syria and to Egypt; (b) A new operation in Morocco and Algiers intended to drive in against the back door of Rommel's armies. The attitude of French Colonial troops is still in doubt.

In the Pacific

I am opposed to an American all-out effort in the Pacific against Japan with the view to her defeat as quickly as possible. It is of the utmost importance that we appreciate that defeat of Japan does not defeat Germany, and that American concentration against Japan this year or in 1943 increases the chance of complete German domination of Europe and Africa. On the other hand, it is obvious that defeat of Germany or the holding of Germany in 1942 or in 1943 means probable eventual defeat of Germany in the European and African theatre and in the Near East. Defeat of Germany means the defeat of Japan, probably without firing a shot or losing a life. Please remember three cardinal principles—speed of decision on plans, unity of plans, attack combined with defence but not defence alone. This affects the immediate objective of United States ground forces fighting against Germans in 1942.

I hope for total agreement within one week of your arrival. FRANKLIN D. ROOSEVELT, Commander-in-Chief.

*Author's heavy type. I was naturally aware that the American war leaders, now gathered in London, still had to be convinced that our view was the only practicable one. Hopkins came to Chequers over the week-end, and we went over informally the divergence between us. On Monday morning, July 20, the first meeting with the American delegates was held in the Cabinet room.

Next meeting

The next meeting was held on the afternoon of July 22. Gen. Marshall opened the discussion by saying that he and his colleagues had reached with the British in their talks with the Chiefs of Staff, and therefore they would have to report to the President for instructions. I replied that I fully shared the ardent desire of the President and his Service advisers "to engage the enemy in the greatest possible strength at the earliest possible moment," but that I felt that, with the limited forces at our disposal, we should not be justified in attempting "Sledgehammer" in 1942.

I pointed to the number of ugly possibilities looming in front of us. There might, for example, be a collapse in Russia, or the Germans might move into the Caucasus, or they might beat Gen. Auchinleck and occupy the Nile Delta, and the Suez Canal, or again they might establish themselves in North Africa and West Africa and thereby put an almost prohibitive strain on our shipping. Nevertheless, disagreement between Great Britain and America would have far greater consequences than all the above possibilities. It was therefore agreed that the American Chiefs of Staff should report to the President that the British were not prepared to go ahead with "Sledgehammer" and ask for instructions.

Not surprised

President Roosevelt replied at once that he was not surprised at the disappointing outcome of the London talks. He agreed that it was no use continuing to press for "Sledgehammer" in the face of British opposition, and instructed his delegation to reach a decision with us on some operation which would involve American ground forces being brought into action against the enemy in 1942.

Thus "Sledgehammer" fell by the wayside and "Gymnast" came into its own. Marshall and King, though naturally disappointed, bowed to the decision of their Commander-in-Chief and the greatest goodwill between us all again prevailed. I now hasten to rechristen "Gymnast" and "Semi-Gymnast" vanished from our code-words. On July 24 in an instruction from me to the Chiefs of Staff "Torch" became the new and master term. On July 25 the President cabled to Hopkins that plans for landings in North Africa to take place "not later than October 30" should go ahead at once. That evening our friends set off on their journey back to Washington.

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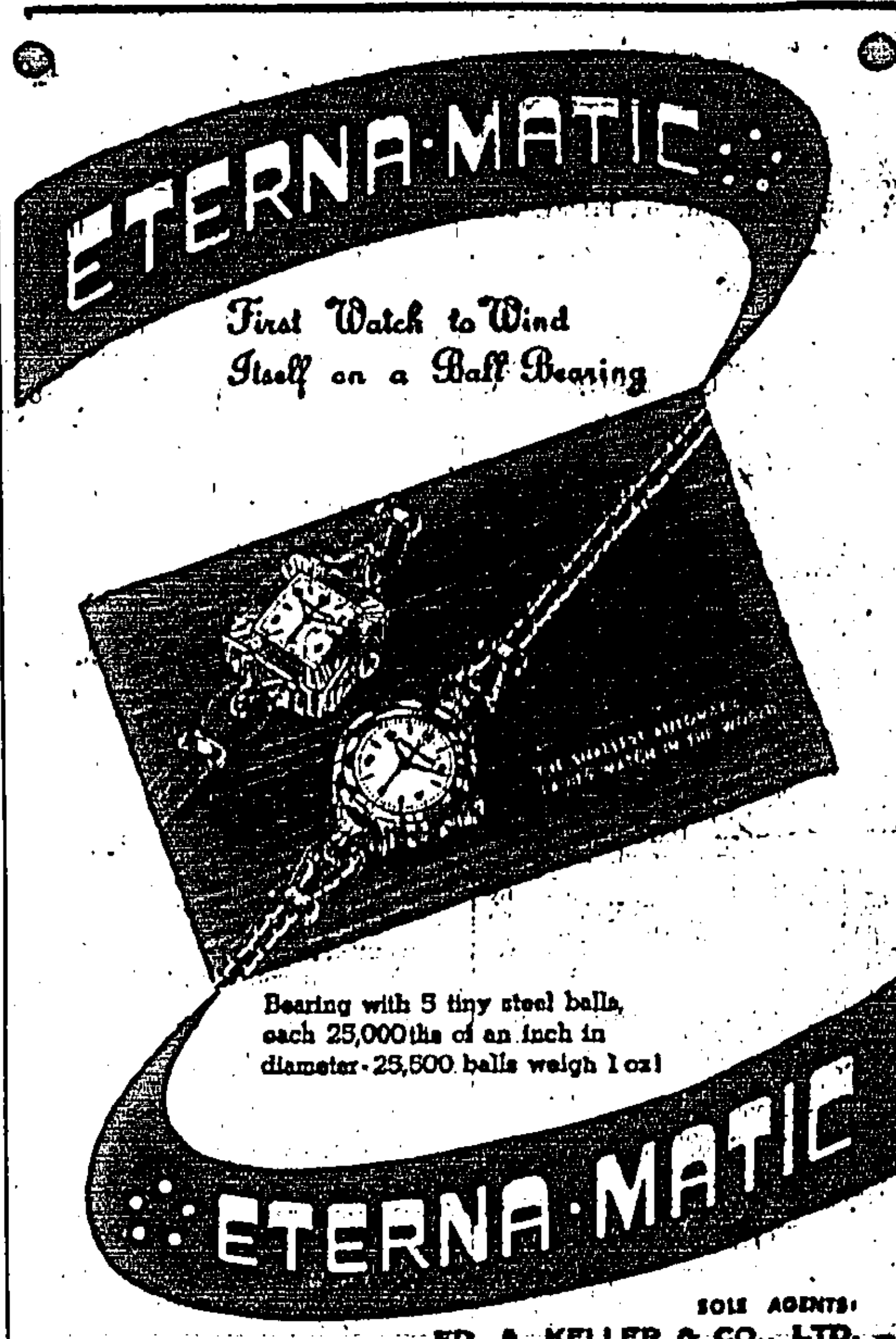


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THE LONDON THEATRE: By BEVERLEY BAXTER, M.P.

Dare-devil Frankie Howerd Satirises Number 10

LONDON. It is a solemn thought that in these notes to-day we shall discuss British musicals which have just been presented in London. What is more, we are informed that Miss Kelly Courtneidge has appeared in a new Ivor Novello musical at Manchester preparatory to advancing upon London.

In fact, the only dint in Humber's shield is that Steven Williams's excellent show, *Men City*, has been untimely torn from the Adelphi. It served a longer stay.

SHINWELL'S HATS

The first is based upon that established feature of the End Life, the Literary Luncheon. The audience was quite sure what it was all about, and the comedians had to work hard for their laughs. Personally I found it a delightful change from the normal business of Palladium humour.

This drew long and loud applause from the audience, a fact which by this time has no doubt been reported to the appropriate authorities. The sketch ends with the arrival of an American GI who thought he would like to see Mr. Atlee.

"You mean the Prime Minister of England?" The voices of the charlatans were full of awe. Then they opened the door of No. 10 and shouted: "Hi, Clem! You're wanted."

Let us then give credit where it has been so courageously earned. The spectacle of British comedians daring to do or say something beyond their usual rigid limits of anatomy and excretion earns both gratitude and encouragement.

BRINGS SMILES

Mr. Frankie Howerd heads the bill and deservedly so. He looks rather like Peter Ustinov and can suggest more humour than is actually in his words. Even in a singularly unfunny sketch of a holiday camp he brings smiles to our eyes. Like Sid Field he has a genuine gift of characterisation and like Sid Field he should leave the music to his lesser brethren.

Miss Blincoe has been added to the show but seems a little underdone as yet. She is expected of her. No longer of an age to play the prim, she hesitates between the grand dame du theatre and the Hale and Hearty. I hope for Brown will forgive me for this.

nor does he discriminate between the artists on the stage. He is their willing, encouraging accomplice at all times and at all levels.

THE SWEET MISS RAYE

EVERYONE in the theatre knows that there is a rhythm to audience reaction.

Monday night is uphill work, Wednesday is better, and on Saturday night people will laugh or cry at almost anything.

Therefore it was with some misgivings that I went to the Phoenix on Monday (having missed the opening the previous Friday) to see *Dear Miss Phoebe*, a musical adaptation of Barrie's *Quality Street*.

Nor were my misgivings allayed during the first twenty minutes. Miss Carol Raye looked sweet and sang sweetly. Miss Olga Lindo seemed wasted as the sweet, understanding older sister, and the music was in the sweetest mood of Novelism. Even Peter Graves, who grows in authority and good looks, was a sweet fellow on a manly scale.

HIDE THOSE LEGS!

How in this discordant age could we tolerate ourselves in the twitterings of females who almost opened a tin of sardines and, in their retirement, looked like legs of chocolate? These things may have been all right in Barrie's time but what chance with us? Had pretty girls like Phoebe wearing the unbecoming tights of the day?

the theatre. When the ageing Phoebe (the poor thing is 30 years old) impersonates an imaginary niece and goes to the ball to have her revenge on Peter Graves who has been at the wars for ten years, the piece becomes delightfully gay.

And when Peter, fascinated like all the others by this lively young creature, tells her that it is her Aunt Phoebe he really loves, then we give up the struggle and surrender unconditionally to Barrie the sorcerer.

The attempts to get rid of the imaginary niece constitute a classic of sustained comic invention. Far from being bored I hated the idea of it coming to an end. I would have liked the piece to go on and on like the brook—despite it being on a Monday night.

...AND A COMEDienne

Dear Miss Phoebe is not for the smart set or those who believe that there is no mystery to women who hide their legs beneath billowing skirts. It is for the public who found pleasure in *Bless the Bride*—what I am told the managers call the Wimbleton public.

To all such—and I am one of their number in this case—I promise an evening of developing charm and delight. The music of Harry Farr Davies is deceptively innocent even if it is a little like the music of the *Bohemian Rhapsody*. You will keep your heart to Carol Raye; you will see a beautiful understanding performance by Olga Lindo; and you will discover a rare comedienne in Geraldine. There is still a place for the comic in the theatre. The *Dear Miss Phoebe* is a place for it.

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JOHNNY HAZARD

By Frank Robbins

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JUST ONE MOMENT, MR. HAZARD.

POCKET CARTOON

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BY THE WAY

by Beachcomber

IN all the welter of fun promised for the Festival, from coal mines to messages from the moon, I miss one delight: a band contest.

It should be held under the old Brunswick-square rules, with all the bands playing different pieces and all at the same time. Believe me, it was every band for itself in the Brunswick-square contest, and no aesthetic nonsense. Mr. Gerald Barry and I, acting as judges, were put to the pin of our collars to know what the devil it was all about. A whisper of Manila from the Walsall Acollans would be drowned by a thunderous Perc la Victorie from Jeffcote Park. Half the Middlesbrough team got mixed up with Shepton Mallet, and a small Bradford clarinet fell backwards off the dais on to the Cirencester drum. Five Southport men pulled him into their band and gave him a trumpet. We were often asked afterwards why we awarded the Mrs. Melhuish Cup to Tiverton. The reason was that they were more together than the others, and their tone was less damnable.

Style counted

THERE was an eccentric character playing for Slaters Mills. He stuffed his trombone with sacking to get richness of tone. In the excitement of a forceful passage in Light Cavalry the sacking was blown out of the mouth of the trombone, which emitted a sudden roar. We took off two marks for noise, but awarded one for emphasis, which led to a dispute with Sandhills Royal, who got their emphasis by concealing two extra French horns behind a packing-case. I remember Mr. Barry saying to me, during a lull, "I can't make out what any of them are playing." For answer I pointed to the very stylish Nuncaton Band. Quite clearly one could hear bits of Aida. They all blew together, and at their loudest, while less experienced bands wasted their lullaby stuff. They would have won the Cup had not they grown tired and ragged after the first hour. Also they were next to Barnsley who played like maddened elephants.

They interrupted his dream

AS a poet living near by wrote when it was all over:—
Those long, remorseless hours of hideous din
Which loosened plaster and blew windows in,
Taught me, a lover, quite enough to prove

YOUR BIRTHDAY By STELLA

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 24

If you are born today, there is something of a contradiction in your nature. While you are an independent thinker and seldom how to the conventional line, you are surprisingly intolerant of those whose ideas do not coincide with your own. You must watch this, for, it could make you something of a despot.

You are a natural leader, but inclined to be somewhat tactless. Although a loving and devoted mate, you do not show your affections. In public, you can appear unconcerned and even cool toward someone you love. Wed someone who understands this characteristic or there can be countless misunderstandings at home. Naturally courteous and even chivalrous, you know how to pay polite attentions to members of the fair sex without committing yourself. Be charming, but keep aloof in your motif. Fond of the arts, especially music, you will make friends easily with those who have similar interests. You are a loyal friend. Inclined to be jealous, you must curb this tendency.

Decidedly stubborn, you should learn to be more flexible in your mental attitudes. You enjoy the beautiful material things of life and you realize that to have them, you must have money. But don't permit the accumulation of wealth to be your sole goal. You can find great happiness, if you try, in the more simple, spiritual and intellectual things of life.

To find what the stars have in store for tomorrow, select your birthday star and read the corresponding paragraph. Let your birthday star be your daily guide.

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 25

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 22)—Use part of this day to write to friends at a distance. It can prove rewarding.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 23-Jan. 20)—Control of the emotions can dispel difficulties. Be calm and nothing can affect you disadvantageously.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 21-Feb. 10)—A good day for large family gatherings. If a problem needs solving, call a conference.

PISCES (Feb. 20-Mar. 21)—Make improvements at home. This is a good time for bargains. Refurbish the house inexpensively.

ARIES (Mar. 22-Apr. 20)—Home pleasures should be stressed. Don't wander too far afield for your entertainment.

TAURUS (Apr. 21-May 21)—Consider some new opportunity at this time. Suggestions from others may be useful.

GEMINI (May 22-June 22)—You can prove a consolation to someone who needs cheering up. The evening can be an exciting one.

CANCER (June 23-July 23)—If things are beyond your control, don't worry about them. If you correct them, act promptly.

LEO (July 24-Aug. 23)—Spend some of today in the open air if you can. Outdoor sports will build up your health.

VIRGO (Aug. 24-Sept. 22)—An excellent day for romance. A short trip to visit new scenes can be invigorating.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23)—You may find that family history is interesting and proves an inspiration to you now.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 23)—A good day for a long walk—other more active type of outdoor exercise.

BARBS

By HAL COCHRAN

WHEN beef gets cheaper we usually still have pork to beef about.

An American woman is going to marry a man who hit her with his car. Give her time—she'll get even.

What the fellow who spends all his time knocking needs is a good boost—and you can guess where.

You never know whether to take some politicians at their face or two-faced value.

CROSSWORD

Across

1. Seem the winning crew have this over the losers. (4)
2. Swapped guns to places. (6)
3. "You can't get anywhere" said. (4)
4. Sounds a peculiar sort of flower. (4)
5. The sovereign requires two crowns. (4)
6. Music of hope rather than despair. (4)
7. Where lies are broken down. (4)
8. A broken star. (4)
9. or something is found as there's rage consumed. (6)
10. To get this is not mainly. (4)
11. Spent for pantomime value. (4)
12. Could be a well-thrust trait. (4)
13. Where the O.L. will return to a card game. (4)
14. This is a stroke of luck. (4)
15. The being collected one should keep it. (4)

Down

1. Something complete in itself. (4)
2. A happy day for a long walk. (4)
3. The day should follow the other commandment. (4)
4. Like the W. woodcock. (4)
5. Name of the white horse. (4)
6. Support to a weak back. (4)
7. The two love to do this. (4)
8. Winter sports. (4)
9. Taken from Lewis. (4)

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SADANE	In Port	25th Nov.
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TJALENGKA	In Port	10th Dec.
N. HEUTSZ	7th Dec.	17th Dec.
SADANE	21st Dec.	28th Dec.

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MANILA, EAST & SOUTH AFRICA and SOUTH AMERICA	ARRIVALS	SAILINGS
PONDOK	7th Dec.	7th Dec.
KAMPEK	15th Dec.	10th Jan. '51
YS	18th Jan. '51	7th Mar. '51
SEVAIN	18th Jan. '51	7th Mar. '51

JAPAN	ARRIVALS	SAILINGS
KAMPEK	5th Dec.	10th Dec.
YS	4th Jan. '51	20th Dec.
SEVAIN	5th Mar. '51	23rd Jan. '51

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EUROPE via MANILA and MALAYA	ARRIVALS	SAILINGS
GLESCOT	20th Nov.	15th Dec.
HEK	15th Dec.	10th Jan. '51
HEK	Mid Jan. '51	10th Feb. '51

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JAPAN	ARRIVALS	SAILINGS
GLESCOT	14th Dec.	20th Nov.
HEK	8th Jan. '51	18th Dec.
HEK	9th Feb. '51	Mid Jan. '51

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GERMAN EXPORT OF COAL

Washington, Nov. 23.
The United States Economic officials estimated on Thursday that Western Germany can afford to export as high as 7,000,000 metric tons of coal during the first quarter of 1951.

The officials commented the following press reports that the Bonn government object to the International Ruhr Authorities about the coal export quota if it's set too high. They said, the Germans are "protestingly pessimistic" about their coal production and export capabilities.

Other officials here said, the United States High Commissioner, Mr. John McCloy will be instructed to give a full support to the Ruhr Authority in seeing that the export quotas are met.

According to the information available here, Germany had claimed 5,000,000 metric tons of coal is the maximum that she will be able to export in the first three months of 1951. It was understood that France had proposed the quota to be set at 6,000,000 tons and the Ruhr Authority was thinking in terms of 6,000,000 tons to 7,000,000 tons.

The officials refused to comment on reports from the London Occupation Powers which may make an approval of a new and more lenient occupation statute for Germany, dependent on her co-operation with other nations in economic matters of this nature. The revised statute is under study by the Working Group of British, French and the United States experts.

According to the reports, its approval may hinge on Germany's willingness to enter into the International Agreements, providing for suitable division of raw materials among the European Nations participating in the anti-Communist defense effort.

The officials said here so far the demands of the defense programme had not slowed Germany's economic recovery, although they acknowledged that this situation may change in the future.

The current differences with Germany over the coal exports are considered here as merely one aspect of the problem which may grow more complex as the defense programme develops—that is how available raw materials are to be divided among the Atlantic Pact partners. There was a strong belief in officials that the American quarters establishment of the International Allocation Boards and strictly observed country quotas may turn out to be the only realistic solution.—United Press.

Present World Shortage Of Hard Fibres

Washington, Nov. 23.
The present world shortage of hard fibres may change eventually to the surplus of the United Nations Food and Agriculture Organisation, the Organisation of American States reported on Thursday in a joint survey of the fibre situation.

The survey dealt especially with Abaca, sisal and henequen—the three principal hard fibres—but also sketched the potentialities of some less important products.

It said, "the minor hard fibres entering the international trade channels are principally manilla, sisal, New Zealand hemp and Mauritius fibre. Their combined annual production in 1949-50 period probably amounted to between 175,000,000 and 2,000,000,000 pounds."

The survey said, the present needs of Japan and Europe for abaca and sisal are great, but it is not likely to be met adequately until a normal trade and financing are established.—United Press.

Rising Production Of Synthetic Rubber

Washington, Nov. 23.
Rising production of synthetic rubber will permit tyre and other rubber companies to maintain their present total rubber consumption through the first quarter of 1951, the National Production Authority (NPA) said today.

At the same time it was said that the output of reconstituted synthetic plants will permit a cut of about 30 percent in the use of natural rubber with consequent increase in the defence stockpile.

The report made to members of the Rubber Industry Advisory Committee, was in sharp contrast with yesterday's judgment by the Senate Armed Services Sub-Committee that the country's rubber position was "not satisfactory."

The report of the Senate group was the first of a series of reports on the rubber situation.

Asian Countries Merchandise Shipped To America

Washington, Nov. 23.
Asian countries shipped US\$155.5 million worth of merchandise to the United States during September, compared with US\$122.6 million of American imports.

Efforts of Far Eastern countries to sell more to the U.S. than they buy showed steady progress during the month, according to the Commerce Department in a review of U.S. foreign trade for September.

During the previous month, the Department said, the U.S. bought US\$143.1 million worth of goods in Asia, while selling those countries but US\$115.5 million of U.S. exports.

The favourable balance to Asian countries for September was approximately US\$33,000,000 compared with a US\$28,000,000 favourable balance during August.

India was the principal exporter to the U.S. during September, this trade amounting to 27.8 million dollars compared with 19.6 million for August. Against this India imported 10.1 million dollars of U.S. goods, against US\$11,000,000 for August.

British Malaya September exports to the U.S. came to 24.7 million dollars, a drop of \$6,000,000 under its August total.

Malaya imported but 2.1 million dollars worth of U.S. export during September, compared with 1.4 million for August.

The Philippines came third with US\$21,000,000 against 20.6 million for August.

Philippine imports from the U.S. for September were US\$17,000,000 against 16.5 million for August.

Japan, in fourth place, also showed an increase in her shipments to the U.S. during September, this total being 18.6 million dollars against 16.7 million for August.

EXPORTS TO JAPAN

American exports to Japan continued to show a heavy balance during September over Japanese shipments to this country. Japan's U.S. imports came to 46.3 million dollars. This was an increase of \$13,000,000 over Japan imports of U.S. goods and materials during last August.

China shipped 14.6 million dollars worth of goods to the U.S. during September compared with 11.7 million worth sent during August.

China imports of U.S. goods dropped to \$1,000,000 during September compared with purchases of 9.9 million made during August.

Indonesia, next in line, exported a September total of \$13.9 million against an August American export trade of \$15.3 million.

Indonesian American imports for September came to 6.5 million dollars, giving the new Republic a good credit balance for the period. August imports from the U.S. were reported at US\$4,000,000.

Siam also showed a good increase in her exports to the U.S. The September total was 7.1 million dollars compared with 5.7 million for August.

Thailand's American imports for September were 2.8 million dollars compared with 2.4 million for August.

Hongkong continued during September buying far more U.S. goods than the Asian products which the Colony sent to the U.S. The Hongkong September imports from the U.S. came to 8.2 million dollars, compared with 11.1 million bought during August.

The Colony's September exports to the U.S. came to .6 million dollars compared with .3 million dollars worth of exports sent here during August.—Associated Press.

Index Prices For Agricultural Products

London, Nov. 23.
The index prices for agricultural products in England and Wales have gone up from 80.9 in 1939 to 243 in June, 1950, the National Farmers Union reported.

The index of prices paid to farmers for livestock and livestock products climbed from 91 to 243, while that for cereals went up from 91.5 to 228.

Food subsidies paid by the government to keep consumer prices down, took the edge off this rise from the general cost of living index.

The index figure 100, taken as a base, was the average of prices from 1937 to 1939.—Associated Press.

Exchange Rates

London, Nov. 23.
The exchange market today showed a general upward movement in the value of the pound sterling against the dollar and other major currencies.

HONGKONG SHARE MARKET

The turnover on the Stock Exchange this morning was valued at \$102,034,000. The half day's business and noon prices were as follows:

SHARES BUYERS SELLERS SALES	1000s of \$	500s of \$
5% Loan	10000	5000
3 1/2% Loan	10000	5000

LAND, ETC.	1000s of \$	500s of \$
Bank	10000	5000
INSURANCES	10000	5000
DOCKS, ETC.	10000	5000
IC. Wharf	10000	5000
Provision	10000	5000
Shal Dock	10000	5000

Electric	20 25 30
Telephone	11
INDUSTRIALS	14 14 1/2
STONES, ETC.	14 14 1/2
Dairy (N)	12 12 1/2
Western	23 24
COTTONS	24 25 26
Two	24 25 26

Tin Mill Prices

New York, Nov. 23.
Subsidiaries of U.S. Steel Corporation announced yesterday their prices for tin mill products would advance an average of about 12 percent on January 1.

They pointed to higher production costs, including the sharp rise in the price of pig tin during the past few months.

Users of other steel products are expecting a price increase soon after the steel companies settle wage demand of the Steelworkers' Union.—Associated Press.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES

m/v "SALLY MAERSK"
Having arrived from New York and Port of call, Consignees of Cargo are hereby notified that their goods are being landed at the Hongkong & Kowloon Wharf & Godown Company's Godown at the wharf where delivery may be obtained as soon as the goods are landed.

Optimal cargo will not be landed here, unless notice has been given at least 48 hours before the cargo is to be landed, and carried on from port to port to the final port of call to which the option extends.

No claims will be admitted after the goods have left the wharf between 10 and 11 a.m. on 30th November, 1950, at 10 a.m. by our Surveyors Messrs. Godard & Douglas.

To comply with the General Bonded Warehouse Regulations consignees must have a Revenue Officer in attendance when damaged dutiable goods are examined.

All claims must reach us before the 14th December, 1950, or they will not be recognized.

No Insurance will be effected.

JEBSEN & CO.
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Hongkong, 24th November, 1950.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES

m/v "PATROCLOS"
Damaged cargo on this vessel will be surveyed at 10 a.m. on 24th Nov. 1950, and on 24th Nov. 1950, and consignees are requested to have their representatives present during the survey.

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
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Hong Kong, November 23, 1950.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES

m/v "HALLAND" FROM U.S.A.
Cargo on the above vessel will be arrived by m/v "Ceylan" due Hong Kong 24th November, 1950.

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s.s. "WOSANG"	Koelung	27th Nov.
s.s. "WINGSANG"	Sandakan	28th Nov.

ARRIVALS FROM	Koelung	3rd Dec.
s.s. "WINGSANG"	Tientsin	3rd Dec.
s.s. "PRONTO"	Calcutta & Straita	13th Dec.
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s.s. "BALUCHISTAN"	Yokohama, Yokkaichi, Nagoya & Kobe ...	25th Nov.
s.s. "EASTERN GLORY"	Brisbane, Sydney, Melbourne, & Adelaide ..	1st Dec.
s.s. "KAFIRISTAN"	Las. Brisbane, Sydney, Melbourne & Adelaide	12th Dec.

ARRIVALS FROM	Australian Ports via Saigon at No. 4 Kowloon Wharf.	29th Nov.
s.s. "BALUCHISTAN"	Australian Ports via Japan	29th Nov.
s.s. "EASTERN GLORY"		

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m.v. "GLENARTNEY"
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m.v. "BRECONSHIRE"
Loads 10th December, sails 21st December, for Straita, Colombo, Aden, Suez, Port Said, Alexandria, Genoa, London, Rotterdam/Amsterdam, Hamburg and Antwerp. Due London 1st February.

(Carriers option to proceed via other ports to load/discharge cargo)

SCHEDULED ARRIVALS FROM LONDON

m.v.	Leave London	Due H.K.
m.v. "BRECONSHIRE"	Sailed	1st Dec.
m.v. "GLENEARN"	Sailed	8th Dec.
m.v. "GLENGARRY"	21st Nov.	25th Nov.
m.v. "RADNORSHIRE"	21st Dec.	10th Jan.

INTERMEDIATE SERVICE

m.v.	Sailed	Due H.K.
m.v. "FLINTSHIRE"	Sailed	8th Dec.

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ARRIVALS FROM U.S. ATLANTIC & PACIFIC PORTS

m.v.	Sailed	Due H.K.
m.v. "BRITISH PRINCE"	Sailed	15th Nov.
m.v. "EASTERN PRINCE"	14th Nov.	3rd Dec.

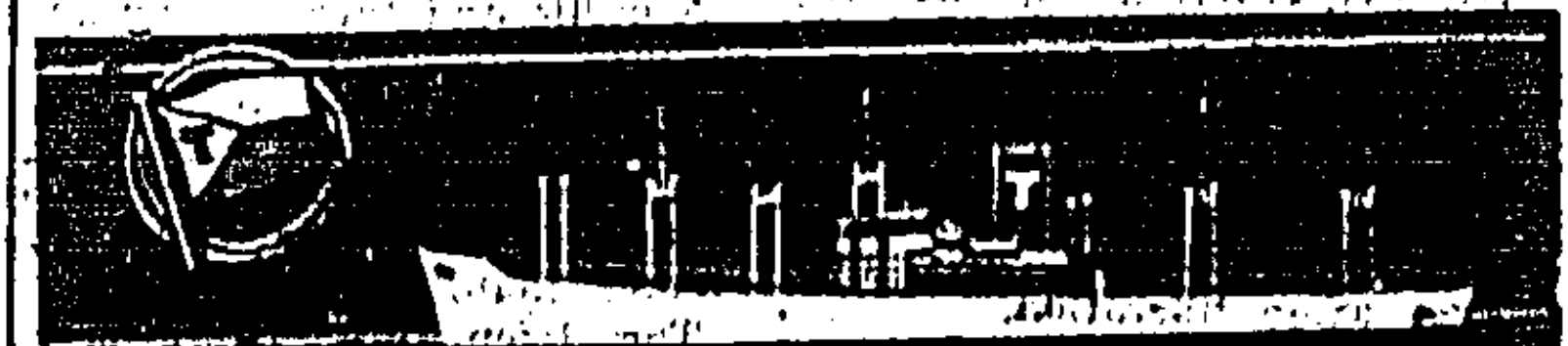
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m.v. "BRITISH PRINCE"
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ARRIVALS FROM SAN FRANCISCO

m.v.	Sails S.F.	Due H.K.
s.s. "HONGKONG TRANSPORT"	Sails S.F.	24th Nov.
s.s. "PACIFIC TRANSPORT"	11th Nov.	8th Dec.
s.s. "AMERICA TRANSPORT"	15th Nov.	23rd Dec.
s.s. "CHINA TRANSPORT"	23rd Nov.	24th Dec.
s.s. "PHILIPPINE TRANSPORT"	9th Dec.	10th Jan.

TO MANILA, CEBU, JAPAN & U.S.A.

m.v.	Sails S.F.	Due H.K.
s.s. "HONGKONG TRANSPORT"	Sails S.F.	24th Nov.

TO TAKUBAR, KORE, NAGOYA, SHIMIZU, YOKOHAMA & U.S.A.

m.v.	Sails H.K.	Due S.F.
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